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Liverpool vs Hellas, APIA vs Hamburg...

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Preston Makedonia v. Juventus of Italy for the World Club championship? Or APIA v. Hamburg or South Melbourne Hellas v. Liverpool

One can dream Or perhaps it's more than a dream

The FIFA Congress in Zurich next June will discuss a proposal to start a world club cup between the club champions of the six FIFA Confederations — Europe, Asia, Africa, South America, Oceania and CONCACAF.

It would be an extension of the world club cup currently contested by the champions of Europe and South America. The Australian Soccer Federation will back the proposal at the FIFA Conference.

"We'll push it for sure," said ASF secretary Brian Emery.

"It would be a great thing for our clubs and for our players. In the meantime, at the Oceania Confederation meeting on December 14, we'll push for an Oceania club championship, possibly to start in 1984.

"We could start with the champions of Australia, New Zealand and perhaps Taiwan playing against each other."

The FIFA Conference next

June also will discuss proposals for a world under 16 and a world women's championship.

If the proposals are accepted, they would not be put into operation at least until 1985.

A world championship winners would suit Australia perfectly. As Australia has the strongest domestic league competition in the Confederation, its clubs would have the best chance of winning the Confederation championship and going on to meet the other five winners.

It would be a costly business, however.

Asia, for example, has about 33 countries. The champions of each would have to play against each other to determine the Confederation champion.

FIFA could throw a spanner into Australia's works by making the Israeli champions play in the Oceania Confederation. Israel is not a member of any Confederation due to political difficulties.

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Pollard out four months

Wollongong defender Steve Pollard was suspended last week until January 31, 1984, on a charge of having brought soccer into disrepute.

Pollard was reported by referee Peter Rampley after wild scenes at St George Stadium, during which Pollard fought with spectators after his team had drawn 3-3 with Sydney Olympic.

They should be 'Roos



• Oscar Crino (far left) of SM-Hellas and Peter Treddinnick of APIA — should they be in the national team? Columnist Andrew Dotte says yes, and chooses both of them in his Soccer XI on page 3. Peter Katholos also talks about the 'Roos.



Tony Henderson, as captain of Australia, shakes hands with Mexico's captain Arturo Vasquez Ayala at Olympic Park in 1980. The teams drew 1-1.

Coach Doug Collins says that although his Marconi players all work for each other, he is particularly pleased with the great progress this season of sweeper Tony Henderson.

"He has had a superb season and is playing really well in defence," Collins said.

"In the past, it was not unusual to see Henderson dribbling forward and looking flashy but this season he has been told what to do and is carrying out his instructions.

'Superb season' for Henderson

"He was allowed to play his own way in previous years but there has been a great difference since discipline and stability were introduced into his game, as well as cutting out the unnecessary holding on to the ball."

And so Henderson may be

heading back into the national team.

Collins is aiming at sixth spot in the league and considers it could cap a tremendous season for the club. Marconi won the Ampol Cup at the start of the season and is still in the semi-finals of the National Cup.

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CUMMING CHASES THIRD MEDAL

Tommy Cumming, player-coach of Melbourne Croatia, has emerged as hot favorite to win his third Rothmans Medal for the Best and Fairest player in Victoria when the medal count takes place on Thursday, October 14, at the Southern Cross Hotel in Melbourne.

Cumming is also bound to play a prominent part of another important award function before the Rothmans, namely, the Bill Fleming Award.

The Bill Fleming Medal, named after the famous 'Argus' soccer reporter, is highly prized by the State League players, being awarded on the votes of the Press and not the referees.

Players such as John Gardiner (1972), Jim Tansey (1976) and Charlie Egan (1981), have done the Rothmans and Fleming 'double', but none has come near to Cumming's feat of carrying off both medals in successive years.

This year's Bill Fleming Award dinner will be held at the City and Overseas Club this Friday night and in ad-

dition to the Fleming Medal itself, trophies also will be awarded to Victoria's National League Player of the Year, the Under 21 Player, the Coach of the Year, and the Referee of the Year.

An innovation at this year's Fleming Medal is the attendance of all the previous Medal winners, with the exception of Mick Watkins (1977), who is in England, as guests of the Australian Soccer Press Association, which hosts the awards.

Jimmy Dunne, a past winner, flies in from the U.K. today (Wednesday) to be interviewed for the Morwell Falcons coaching job. (See story on page 2).

This is Cumming's last chance to create Rothmans medal history. The dynamic little striker is sure to play with Croatia in the NSL next year. No player has won the Rothmans medal three times.

Cumming won the award in 1978 and 1979. John Gardiner was the winner in 1971 and 1972, David Baker of Hakoah was triumphant in 1975 and 1977, while Juventus defender Vince Bannon was the winner in 1973 and 1982.

According to VSF secretary George Wallace the players' guest list for the gala evening is "a calculated punt" but the winner at every Rothmans Medal count has been present on the night. Wallace and a Rothmans repre-

sentative check the voting before the big night, but after the invitations have been posted, which gives the organisers time to change the guest list if required.

So, it's a safe bet to say that the Rothmans Medal winner for 1983 will come from the following list of players invited:

Albion Rovers: Kelron Coyle, Bennie Ferrie, Kenney Smart.

Juventus: Harry Hird, Andrew Zinni, Billy Rogers.

Box Hill: John Gabrielson, Ian Roodhouse, Peter Verechia.

Croydon: Gary Hobson, Jimmy Rooney, Paul Wade.

Doveton: Paul Corke, Ian Stirton, Stan Webster.

Fawkner: Cesare Fattore, Joe Palinkas, Ian Tuffield.

Ajax: Paul Lewis, Bobby Toal, Jim Williams.

Polonia: Andrew Czapnik, Stefan Mila, Janusz Przybyla.

Morwell: Alun Evans, Sandy Irvine, Jim Train.

Norwiche: George Bozakis, Branko Culina, Jim Sahindis.

Wilhelmina: David Brooks, Ken Stewart, Neil Garvey.

Croatia: Jozo Antolovic, Ossie Latif, Keith Adams.

Hellas: Chris Bekiaris, Steve Kantonidis, Chris Kalitfidis.

Sunshine-George Cross: Alan Con-

tni, Carl Gilder, Norrie Pate.

Cumming's supporters don't need to start jumping up and down because his name doesn't appear on the list of invited Croatia players. All previous winners were invited.

For punters wanting a bit of value, Ajax's Paul Lewis looks a good each-way bet.

Rothmans Medal winners:

1971 — John Gardiner (Geo Cross)

1972 — John Gardiner (Geo Cross)

1973 — Vince Bannon (Alexander)

1974 — Pat Bannon (Alexander)

1975 — David Baker (Hakoah)

1976 — Jim Tansey (Slavia)

1977 — David Baker (Hakoah)

1978 — Tommy Cumming (Croatia)

1979 — Tommy Cumming (Croatia)

1980 — Bobby McGuinness (Juventus)

1981 — Charlie Egan (Frankston)

1982 — Vince Bannon (Juventus)

Bill Fleming Medal winners:

1971 — Jim Pyrgiolis (Hellas)

1972 — John Gardiner (Geo Cross)

1973 — Frank Micic (J.U.S.T.)

1974 — Jim Armstrong (Hellas)

1975 — Billy Vojetek (Juventus)

1976 — Jim Tansey (Slavia)

1977 — Mick Watkins (Juventus)

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1980 — Jimmy Dunne (Ajax)

1981 — Charlie Egan (Frankston)

1982 — Peter Lewis (Ajax)



Croatia's Tommy Cumming with the 1979 Rothmans Medal. Inset: his major rival this year, Paul Lewis, of Ajax.

Falcons seek Valley help

Morwell Falcons are asking the Latrobe Valley soccer league to back their application for NSL membership.

Falcons will ask the Latrobe Valley league not to schedule its games on the same day that Morwell plays its home NSL games.

"We get about 1000 people at home games at the moment, so that figure would at least double if we no longer had opposition from other matches in the Val-

ley," Falcons president Don DiFabrizio said.

DiFabrizio added that the club aimed to have all its players living in the Latrobe Valley within two years.

At the moment, more than half of them live in Melbourne and travel to Morwell only for games or for training once a week.

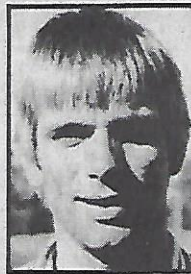
DiFabrizio said that under this system, it was difficult to get the players properly fit, and as a result the club was getting only 70 per cent out of them.

He added he was confident that at least about 300 Morwell fans would follow the

team to away matches. "That's as much, if not more, than Ajax or Croydon would bring to away games," DiFabrizio said.

Former Ajax and Brisbane City star Jimmy Dunne had been offered Falcons' coaching job. Tony Boggi, who coached Falcons this year, says business pressures will prevent him from doing the job again in 1984.

Meanwhile, Alun Evans is expected to resume training in January, after breaking a leg two weeks ago, and veteran defender and former player-coach Sandy Irvine also is expected to front up for another season. — LAURIE SCHWAB



Alun Evans

Faith and hope are nice but insufficient

By ANDREW DETTRE

The ASF's "guidelines" for admission to the NSL and the Magna Carta have one thing in common: both are vague documents subject to a huge variety of interpretations.

Britain has managed to exist quite well for over 700 years with the M.C. — and without a written constitution — but the NSL has often paid a heavy price for its lack of vigilance when admitting new members.

Vide: the disintegration of Mooroolbark and Western Suburbs, the perilous and porous state of Canberra, Footscray, Wollongong, Newcastle ... and many others.

Also vide: the shocking grounds on which National League matches are played (Schinler Reserve, Ziems Park, Pratten Park, Lambert Park, etc.).

But, above all, I am a bit surprised (no, I am not really; nothing in our soccer surprises me any longer) why the ASF tolerates some astonishingly sloppy administrations in the NSL.

(Back to an old theory: the ASF is the NSL and the clubs are the ASF: why would they even notice their own abysmal standards?)

Let me do it for you. (If this crazy TV ad sells cars, it may sell soccer, too.)

Disregarding such fundamental requirements as a strong playing staff and a good ground (taking Marconi Oval or Marks Field in Sydney as the minimum standard), I would lay down these basic rules for any applicant to the NSL (and even the existing members).

1. Management. A detailed submission about the club's administration — names, backgrounds, financial status, role played. Name and qualification of fulltime or part-time soccer manager or secretary, time devoted to the game per week; administrative assistance available; office with permanent staff or at least answering machine.

Of the five Sydney clubs only St George has a full time man constantly available; the others manage their affairs much the same as they did pre-NSL.

And that's strange, really, as even in 1982 Sydney City, Marconi and APIA all had a fulltime man (or woman) in charge.

There is no reason to suppose that clubs in other States or cities are in a better position.

2. Finance. A detailed budget based on bank accounts, affidavits and other proof — certainly not the vague prospect of a "mysterious sponsor." How much can the club afford to spend on soccer in the next three years — from what sources: written proof of sponsor support backing with amounts stated; proposed expenditure on coaches, players, equipment, promotion, advertising, etc.

Again, not too many clubs could satisfy a truly strict screening committee of their eligibility.

And if you religiously applied both criteria to the existing NSL, we would have a very short season, perhaps a round-robin over a long weekend.

Fair enough, we cannot be too meticulous. This is the reason the ASF doesn't bother to police the individual affairs of the clubs and leaves to them whether they continue or quietly go broke.

But this is a different ball game. To increase the NSL from 16 to 24 clubs we have to find eight new ones which are stable, well managed, have good grounds, have the following — and won't drag the rest down the drain with them.

I don't want to be unkind and mention clubs by name, so let this suffice: the applicants include clubs which have failed miserably even in the State Leagues, which have no decent grounds and whose following is so small that in the 'Herald's' Results Section on Mondays they could list not just the scores but also the names and addresses of all their spectators.

What on earth do they want in the NSL? And what do others want there, others who never have been able to excel at any level, in any league, before?

Do they imagine that if their administration has been inadequate to put them on the State map, the same lot of people suddenly will become geniuses and set the world on fire in the NSL?

Some who view soccer emotionally and not logically will disagree with me, people who argue on the basis of what they would like rather than what we have will even call me fancy names.

But this is a risk I always have been willing to take, so let me come out honestly and openly: purely district-based clubs, without strong ethnic ties, have absolutely no chance to survive in the NSL.

We can lament this fact, we can even deny it. But I'd like someone to disprove it.

This is the fate that awaits Kuringai, Manly, Sutherland, Penrith and all the others which, with the innocent faith of early Christians, will open their gates and expect to see the local Aussies to flock to their matches.

They won't. They never have. Don't ask me why I am not sure I merely have a million vague theories myself.

I'd have much more faith in some new NSL clubs if they could collar the support of the large South American group, or perhaps the Lebanese, Chinese or even Vietnamese rather than suburban Australia.

This is why Croatia and Melita may make it; this is why the Auburns, Banktowns, Granvilles and others always have failed.

And a piece of advice to those naive souls who still cling to the charming belief that a district club can have senior aspirations because they have "vast" junior reservoir.

Recently, before the Sydney Hakoah v Canberra match, at 1.30 pm, a large gathering was observed behind one of the goals. At least 100 juniors, all in their playing tops, with their managers, coaches and parents. Some 300 strong.

It was presentation day. When it was over, almost all — possibly all — packed their loot, walked out of the ground, got into their cars and went home.

At 3 pm the senior match started — without them. Once again, the nexus between senior and junior soccer was broken. Not for the first time ... and not for the last.

Just in case you think that juniors or their families are interested in NSL matches ...

Kuringai, Ajax trying hard

Ku-ring-gai, placed fifth in this year's NSW State League, is off and running for a position in the recast 1984 National League.

Applications closed on Friday and seven clubs will be competing for four available positions in the Australian (Eastern) Conference.

The four successful clubs will join in a 12-team division, the balance of which will comprise the five present Sydney NSL clubs, and Newcastle KB, Wollongong City and Canberra Arrows.

There are seven applicants — Croatia Sydney, Melita Eagles, Blacktown City, Penrith United, Sutherland, Ku-ring-gai and Manly-Warringah.

Of these Croatia, Melita and Blacktown will be difficult to go past, even though

Sutherland secretary Laurie Haynes has emphasised that only Croatia has a better State League record than Sutherland's over the years.

Ku-ring-gai's case is based on the club's sound 1983 performance, and its strength in the huge territory running from the Sydney Harbor Bridge to the Hawkesbury River.

Club chairman Don Allen said: "On our record, geographical coverage and financial strength we must receive a good hearing."

"The club owns a licensed restaurant and has other sizeable investments."

"We must have the largest uncovered territory in Sydney."

"We will submit a letter of intent from an Australian company for a very substantial sponsorship."

Former Australian captain Murray Barnes of Sydney City, Blacktown and Australian defender Robbie Wheatley and Newcastle winger Grant Lee are representative of the type of

player produced in our district.

The Ku-ring-gai board voted unanimously to make the application. We will leave no stone unturned in our bid for membership."

Mr Allen added that North Sydney Mayor and local member Alderman Ted Mack has provided a letter promising use of North Sydney Oval subject to the usual availability of dates.

There will be disappointment for eight of the 12 clubs competing for the four places in the southern states Conference.

Victorian Soccer Federation Secretary George Wallace is assembling applications from 10 Victorian State League clubs, and there are two more from South Australia.

The Victorian Clubs are Box Hill Hawks, Juventus, Ajax, Croatia, Polonia, Morwell Falcons, Northcote, Croydon and Sunshine-George Cross.

Of these Croatia and Juventus are generally favored, followed by the Maltese-backed Ajax and George Cross.

The Adelaide hopefuls are Azzuri and Woodville Beograd.

Two Newcastle clubs, Newcastle Austral and Cardiff, have also made enquiries.

NSL general manager Steve Kamasz said that the complete format of the reorganised league would be announced at the ASPA presentation night in Melbourne on November 14.

JUVE'S CUP

Former Canberra Arrows players Keni Kawaleva and Bernie Lustica were prominent on opposing teams as Juventus beat Croatia 5-4 to win the A.C.T. Ampol Cup, in a thrilling spectacle.

Jack Doherty shot Juventus into the lead, and it was Lustica who equalised for Croatia. Lustica was involved in the goal that put Croatia ahead, scored by Goran Adzic, but it was 2-2 after Jimmy Harkins had converted a penalty over a foul on Ernie Johns.

Then Adzic and Lustica struck again for Croatia, and Johns for Juventus, leaving the half-time score at 4-3 for Croatia.

Juventus got another penalty, again converted by Harkins, and it was 4-4.

Kawaleva, who had helped set up Juventus' first goal, also played a part in the winner. He chipped a free kick over the wall and Doherty did the rest.



Geelong West under 12, Western "B" Premiers for 1983, coached by C. Popovski. Pictured are Standing from left: P. Krstevski E. Nutkanovic C. Kopicic J. Goncalves M. Bijelac S. Popovski M. Pantelic. Front row D. Smilevski P. Eric T. Bozinovski Z. Stojanovski Z. Valajceviski

McGee signs

Paul McGee, who was linked with both Juventus and Footscray JUST earlier this season, has finally put pen to paper to sign for Sligo Rovers of the League of Ireland.

McGee, on Burnley's books last season, seemed likely to stay in English football when he started a month's trial at Bristol City.

WA beats Indonesia

The West Australian State team beat Indonesia's pre-Olympic squad 1-0 in a closely-fought friendly match before a crowd of 10,000 at Senayan Stadium in Jakarta.

The game's solitary goal was by visiting centre-forward Frank McKAY in the 10th minute of the second half.

The game was a warm-up for the Indonesian soccer squad which meets Saudi Arabia on October 6 in the pre-Olympic Asia-Oceania zone Group III Tournament.

Rasic in NZ

Rale Rasic was among the celebrities who played in the Golden Oldies World Cup in Auckland last week.

Rasic also was guest speaker at a number of soccer functions during his visit.

Rasic, former Socceroo coach, still is involved in a dispute with South Melbourne Hellas, over money he claims the club owes him.

Queensland row on bigger NSL

Queensland Soccer Federation president Ian Brusasco has been accused of trying to force Brisbane's two National League clubs, Brisbane City and Lions, out of the NSL.

"He wants them back," City president Sam Pappalardo said after a press conference held by NSL general manager Stefan Kamasz and Australian Soccer Federation commercial director Peter Sheehan.

Pappalardo threatened to make City players unavailable for Queensland next year if his club was omitted from the restructured Brisbane premiership competition.

City provided the backbone in the Queensland team which beat NSW 3-0 this winter.

Pappalardo accused Brusasco of concentrating on the financial problems of the Queensland Soccer club instead of the wider problems of the game itself.

Brusasco refused to enter a slanging match, saying: "I prefer all publicity to be directed at the finals coming up. But I will say this. I am looking after the interests of the whole of Queensland soccer. 64 clubs. Brisbane City is looking only at its own club."

Sheehan said Sydney clubs had demonstrated their total support for the NSL by spending \$800,000 subsidising travel costs of Brisbane and Adelaide teams over the past seven years.

Among details of a reorganised 24 team NSL competition to be released in Melbourne on November 24 are plans to give Queensland teams more home games.

Sheehan and Kamasz said the fully national character of the NSL competition would be lost if teams from Brisbane and Adelaide were dropped.

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Calling Poland, Croatia, Italy, Makedonia and Greece

Knox City (Vic) will hold a "World Cup" competition between teams representing various nationalities.

The competition will be run over four weekends starting on Saturday-Sunday November 12-13 with the finals on the weekend of December 3-4.

There will be a perpetual cup and medals for the winners, with runners-up and third place also receiving medals.

"Countries" will be allowed to use only players born there and each "country" will be allowed 16 players.

Five countries are committed to take part - Scotland, England, Holland, Hungary and Australia and others are invited to participate, e.g. Poland, Croatia, Italy, Germany, Spain, Malta, Yugoslavia, Greece, Ireland, Makedonia, Turkey, Lebanon, Vietnam, etc.

Any club or person who can arrange a team from any of these countries should contact any of the following:

Graham Roddis 729 7627, Bill Bright 221 4260, Alec Strahan 729 6852, Bill Stoffers 729 1781, Tony Kennedy 763 7542, Dave Andrews 729 6984.

Closing date is 15-10-83.

LET'S GO FOR SKILL WITH CRINO, WATSON

Forget the stars based overseas

THE ANDREW DETTRE COLUMN

Speculation has started and will undoubtedly grow about the composition of the Australian squad to the Merlion tournament in Singapore in December.

Ultimately, it will be up to one man, national coach Les Scheinflug, to make the decision and he will not make it lightly.

With his full-time coaching position now in doubt, Les will want to achieve some spec-

tacular results in Singapore - a sort of America's Cup triumph on a smaller scale.

As always and everywhere in the world, no two people quite agree on the "best" team; I'm sure the 16 NSL coaches would nominate 16 different squads.

Disagreement in matters such as this express personal opinions. Learnings towards certain playing concepts or implicit trust in players who can do the job.

I have no idea what Les Scheinflug's choices will be and I'm not even sure whether he will create a squad for Singapore only or one which could then form the nucleus of our World Cup challenge in 1984-85.

This is again a matter on which we can argue heatedly - but only Les can decide.

Given his hot seat, I know I would opt for as many skilful "ballplayers" as possible; I would disregard age as an obstacle and I would not consider players who are soon off to Europe and may stay there in 1984 - such as Alan Davidson and Tom McCulloch.

Neither would I bother to recall overseas-based players such as David Mitchell or Eddie Krncevic.

Such moves are commonly done in Europe where players can rejoin national teams after a two-year flight - but not in our case.

So these are the guidelines. Now, what about "my" squad? Having looked at all the eligible players, adding to and deleting from the list several times, I've come up with this squad of 22:

GOALKEEPERS: Greedy and Boland.

DEFENDERS: Cant, O'Connor, Ratcliffe, Yankos, Blair, R. O'Shea, Curovic and Mason.

MIDFIELDERS: Katholos, Patikas, Raskopoulos, Crino, Senkalski and P. Tredinnick.

STRIKERS: Kosmina, O'Connor, Watson, Cotton, Jennings and Luchesi.

Flankers

Greedy selects himself; Boland is a model of con-

Sumner hat-trick but watch Tuua

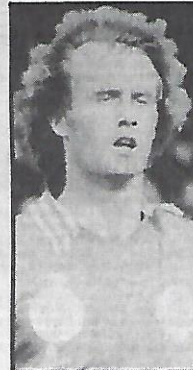
Steve Sumner, now playing for south Auckland club Manurewa, marked the completion of his first season back in New Zealand after two in Australia, by capturing a remarkable "hat-trick" of National League championship medal, Golden Boot trophy and New Zealand Soccer Writers' Association's Players of the Year award.

The Golden Boot was instituted this year and will be presented annually to the national league's leading goalscorer.

The former Newcastle KB United and West Adelaide Hellas player notched 18 goals during the recently-completed campaign - four ahead of



Suleiman Curovic (right) guards the line as his goalkeeper Dennis Boland makes a save for J.U.S.T.



Roy Cotton

sistency with a superb positioning and reflexes.

I would have three players in the defence capable of playing on the flanks (Cant, O'Shea and Curovic).

Mason is a vastly underrated player - who could also move into midfield - while Curovic is a man of the future.

Against Asian teams Australia would presumably play with one stopper and one sweeper only (not two stoppers and a sweeper as against England), so one would have to choose two from the centrebacks listed.

Actually, it will be surprising if Scheinflug overlooks the Ratcliffe-Yankos duo - but he might.

The midfield is where the team's engine room is built - and I have picked six players who are all better than aver-

age in skill, distribution and speed.

Admittedly, some are better tacklers among them than others but there isn't one there who would shirk a physical challenge.

I feel that Joe Senkalski and Peter Tredinnick are long overdue for recognition. Crino and Patikas have now matured for the senior side while Katholos and Raskopoulos (if the latter is fit) can provide the dynamism and power.

Finally, the strikers. Few will argue (well, some will) with Kosmina and O'Connor: the others seem controversial.

But where are the better ones? Mitchell and Krncevic are gone. Sharne is a shadow of his former self, so is Gary Cole while Soper could trigger an international incident in Singapore if not a shooting war.

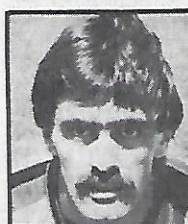
I don't feel that Lowe, Daunt, Wright, Mullen, Rankin, Slater and other youngsters have improved enough yet for the Socceroo side, Slater is going to England anyway.

Roy Cotton is possible the most skilful of all strikers in Australia; it's hard to explain his continued omission purely in football terms.

Watson would be an ideal foil for Kosmina while Luchesi - is a good finisher. Jennings has been included here - as I don't feel he will make it at fullback, despite what Tommy Docherty and others might say about it.

If I had to select a team from this squad - purely for the Singapore tournament, not any further - I would name this XI:

Greedy - Cant, Yankos, Ratcliffe, R. O'Shea - Katholos, Crino, P. Tredinnick - Watson, Kosmina, O'Connor. Any takers?



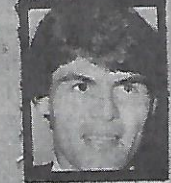
Steve Sumner

hours of the presentation, he made his international debut against Japan and laid on the game-clinching goal for Steve Sumner within three minutes of coming on as substitute.

- PAUL MOON

KAT'S CORNER

with PETER KATHOLOS



Panathinaikos, Red Star Belgrade and Verona are to play in Australia next February, according to one of the local Greek newspapers.

The report says they would play tournaments in Melbourne, where they would be joined by the Victorian State team, and in Sydney, where the NSW State team would take part.

I must point out however, that it's an unconfirmed report at this stage.

In fact, VSF secretary George Wallace says no tournament is planned as yet.

He says a private promoter did mention some months ago that he was able to bring Panathinaikos, Red Star and Verona to Australia, but apparently he hasn't been heard from again.

Let's hope though, that something positive eventuates.

Panathinaikos, under new coach Jacek Gmoch, is the favorite to take out the Greek title this year, and with internationals like Galakos, Haralambitis and Kapsis, it would certainly draw big crowds there.

Red Star has toured Australia a few times already, and it remains one of the most highly-respected teams in Europe.

Verona certainly would attract the Italian community, meaning we'd have a big hit on our hands.

Such big-name clubs certainly would give our soccer a lift.

Everyone would love to be able to compare these over-

Panathinaikos, Red Star, Verona here?



Joe Vlasits

seas teams with the soccer we play in Australia.

It's incredible what media coverage can do. My colleague Andrew Dettre said so in "Soccer Action" last week, and I couldn't agree with him more.

I'm referring of course to the America's Cup hysteria.

I for one, never had seen a yacht race before, but I was keen on the America's Cup race because of all the media coverage it was given. There simply was no escaping it.

It proves that if the media decides to get behind something, it can do wonders.

Imagine if the same coverage were given to soccer for

a few weeks. But I suppose all we can do is hope.

Best wishes, Uncle Joe

Former World Cup coach Joe Vlasits, who also was assistant coach of the 1981 World Youth Championship, is seriously ill, and I'm sure every one in soccer will join me in wishing him a speedy recovery.

Affectionately known as Uncle Joe, he has given a lifetime to soccer, and many young players, including me, have benefited from his advice and guidance.

Paraguayans kick on

Talking about the youth team, we played against Paraguay in a WYC elimination series in 1979, and two of our opponents were Julio Caesar Romero and Roberto Cabanas, now stars with the New York Cosmos.

Both 22, they have attracted attention from clubs all over the world.

Cabanas, together with Georgio Chinaglia, is the only Cosmos player to have exceeded 50 points for a season.

His total this season was made up of 25 goals and 16 assists.

If you want to know more about Romero, ask Alan Davidson. He had to mark him in Paraguay.

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BORAL BRICKS

With only 18 votes left to be gained, only five players are left in the running for the Boral Bricks \$1500 Player of the Year award.

They are Phil O'Connor (Wollongong), Charlie Yankos (Heidelberg), Alan Davidson (SM-Hellas), David Ratcliffe (St George) and Zarko Odzakovic (Makedonia).

Yankos gained one vote on

leader O'Connor at the weekend, while Ratcliffe and Odzakovic also advanced.

But O'Connor and Yankos are so far ahead of the others that they must rate as the two favorites. Who will win? It all depends on the last three matches.

Charlie Egan (Hellas), Roy Cotton (Wollongong) and Jamie Paton (JUST) strengthened their positions in the Boral Bricks \$1500 top scorer's award, while joint leaders Doug Brown (Hellas) and Marshall Soper (Olympic) failed to score at the weekend.

This week's votes:
HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER 3 (Lea 2, Cole) PRESTON MAKEDONIA 1 (McMillan penalty) at Olympic Village. Crowd about 6000.

Votes by Laurie Schwab:
6. Patterson (H), 3. Lea (H), 4. Odzakovic (Mak), 3. Yankos (H), 2. Macleod (H), 1. Cole (H).
WOLLONGONG 2 (Cotton,

BORAL BRICKS

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Hellas-Marconi: replay of the 4:3 bonanza

Victoria's Greek community is bubbling with excitement at the prospect of South Melbourne Hellas winning the NSL championship.

According to Hellas president Leo Anezakis, even the supporters of Hellas's traditional rival, Heidelberg-Alexander, will be at Middle Park on Sunday to barrack for Hellas against Marconi.

Anezakis expects one of the biggest crowds of the season, as Hellas now is only one point away from league leadership, with three games to go.

Those who arrive early on Sunday will see an Under 16 curtain-raiser which starts at 1 pm.

By LAURIE SCHWAB



Many Italian fans also are expected to attend, because Hellas and Marconi staged one of the most spectacular matches in Australian soccer history.

It was the 1980 NSL elimination final, in which Hellas beat Marconi 4-3 in front of a 4500 crowd at Middle Park.

Marconi shot to a 3-0 lead with goals by Peter Sharpe, Gary Byrne and Eddie Krncevic, but Hellas hit back to win 4-3 with goals by Branko Buljevic, Arthur Xanthopoulos and two by Alan Evans including the winner nine minutes from the end.

The teams, with "Soccer Action" rating, were:

HELLAS: Laumets 7 — Blair 8, Xanthopoulos 9, Lutton 8, Davidson 8, Rogers 7, Cummings 7, Campbell 6, Karamitidis 5 (Wright 9, half time), Evans 10, Buljevic 8.

MARCONI: Maher 7 — Brogan 7, Praskalo 8, Henderson 6, Cant 6, Raskopoulos 6, G. Byrne 5, Mariani 6 (Lindsay 7th) — Sharpe 8, Jankovics 6, Krncevic 6.

The referee was Chris Bambridge who also scored a nine-rating.

Of those listed, only five will play on Sunday — Laumets, Blair, and Davidson for Hellas, and Henderson and Jankovics for Marconi.

After Marconi, Hellas meets APIA and Brisbane Lions away in the last two games of the season. It has to win all three to make sure of the title, and it has to hope that both Sydney Hakoah and St George Budapest slip up in the last three rounds.

Marconi may be strengthened this week by the return of striker Rod Brown, but Hellas starts as slight favorite in what will be a closely-fought match.

Doug Brown missed three good scoring opportunities last week, and Oscar Crino also came close, meaning Hellas should have beaten Sydney Olympic by perhaps four goals instead of two.

Olympic coach Manfred Schaefer acknowledged Hellas's class by saying: "They are a very good team and deserve to go for the title. I switched fullback Graham Jennings with winger Gary Phillips at half time to give us more power up front but Hellas finished much too strongly."

But Marconi also played well in holding Hakoah to a 1-1 draw, thanks to a goal by Jankovics — his 71st in the NSL, making him second to Gary Cole in the scoring, and Jankovics could have won the match with a shot that hit the crossbar.

Jankovics looms as a big threat to the Hellas defence.

On the other hand, Hellas pair Charlie Egan and Doug Brown look virtually unstoppable. Over 90 minutes, it's odds-on that one or the other will score, no matter how often they're marked.

What's more, midfielders Oscar Crino, Carl Halford and Ken Murphy are responding to coach Len McKendry's instructions to push themselves forward whenever possible and take some of the goal-scoring responsibility away from Brown and Egan.

Sydney Hakoah meanwhile has been robbed of its home ground advantage, and will play at either Marconi Stadium or St. George Stadium on Sunday against Brisbane Lions.

The Sydney Athletic Field, where Hakoah is undefeated this year, is unavailable this week.

The club's bosses want the match played at Marconi Stadium, but captain Murray Barnes believes it would be a big mistake.

"We haven't had a favorable result at Marconi for years," Barnes said.

Newcastle too hopes to win the title, and it can match St. George in most departments. John O'Shea v. Craig Mason. Robbie Slater v. Howard Tredinnick. David Lowe v. David Skennet. Mike O'Shea v. Bob Moonford, all look like even contests.

But what about the potential match-winners — Dez Marton and Joe Senkalski? Can they be stopped?

Makedonia is still in the running mathematically, but after four successive losses you'd hardly take a bet on it. On Sunday Makedonia meets Footscray J.U.S.T. at home, and will be delighted to hear that J.U.S.T. star Gary McDowell is out suspended.

Ollerton will have to bring back George Todorovski if he's at all fit. Todorovski trained last week, so there doesn't appear to be any reason why he can't play. With Todorovski back in the sweeper's position, Ollerton could play in midfield, where he could provide some of the toughness that's missing in Gordon Flavell's absence.

But no matter what Ollerton comes up with, J.U.S.T. look a better bet for the three points. It's a much tighter team unit, and its players are operating with a lot more confidence. Kyri Kyriakoulas, backed by Graham Tull, form one of the most solid defensive partnerships in the NSL, and Vlatko Belic and Brian O'Donnell are strong and constructive in midfield.

If Makedonia's defence is as loose as it was against Heidelberg, Jamie Paton, Zdravko Lujic and Joe Carroll will have a picnic.

Heidelberg-Alexander should continue its winning run against APIA — meaning Jim Tansey may opt to leave himself on the bench again, to give other players a run.

Wollongong, playing with new heart, should climb off the bottom of the ladder again by beating Brisbane City in Brisbane, and Sydney Olympic simply has too much class for struggling West Adelaide Hellas.

Adelaide Juventus, on the other hand, should climb off the bottom of the ladder again by beating Brisbane City in Brisbane, and Sydney Olympic simply has too much class for struggling West Adelaide Hellas.

Fawknor v. Juve

Fawknor will host a group of 320 parents and junior players from Adelaide City Juventus this weekend.

The South Australian contingent arrives on Saturday morning and will breakfast at Fawknor's clubrooms at Smith Reserve. On Saturday night a dinner dance will be held at Fawknor Technical School, starting at 7 pm.

A series of junior matches kick off at 9 am on Sunday and will include a special women's challenge match between Adelaide Juventus and Broadmeadows. During the games, full barbecue facilities will be operating.

Springvale wins cup

Victorian club Springvale City returned from Adelaide on Monday after winning the Cumberland Trophy for the first time since the inception of the annual challenge between City and Cumberland United in 1978.

City defeated Cumberland 3-1, with two goals from player coach Ian Greener and one from young striker Nick Karantonis.

City reserves drew 0-0 with Cumberland reserves but the Victorians won the under-14 junior challenge 3-1, to round off a suc-

Dunleavy) NEWCASTLE KB UNITED 2 (Lowe 2) at Wollongong Showgrounds. Crowd about 1000. Votes by Philip Micallef:

6. Gaffney (W), 5. Willis (W), 4. Lowe (N), 3. Cotton (W), 2. O'Connor (W), 1. Jones (N).

ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS 2 (Mullen 2) BRISBANE CITY 9 at Olympic Sports Field. Crowd about 1000. Votes by Meno Toutisidis:

6. Mullen (AC), 5. Villani (AC), 4. Flounders (AC), 3. B. Nyskohus (AC), 2. Tokesi (BC), 1. Rankin (AC).

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. 2 (Lujic, Paton pen.) WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS 0 at Schintler Reserve. Crowd about 1500. Votes by Peter Desira:

6. McDowell (JUST), 5. Kyriakoulas (JUST), 4. Dunn (WA), 3. Tutill (JUST), 2. Boland (JUST), 1. Heys (WA).

BRISBANE LIONS 2 (Wright, Daunt) CANBERRA ARROWS 1 (MacLaren) at Richlands. Crowd about 150. Votes by Ricky Rosso:

6. Vincent (BL), 5. T. Byrne (C), 4. Niven (BL), 3. J. Stewart (BL), 2. R. Stewart (BL), 1. Christopoulos (C).

ST GEORGE BUDAPEST 2 (Ratcliffe, Slater) APIA-LEICHHARDT 1 (Carler) at St. George Stadium. Crowd 3100. Votes by Andrew Dettre:

6. Ratcliffe (St.G.), 5. P. Tredinnick (APIA), 4. Sken (St.G.), 3. Parks (APIA), 2. R.

O'Shea (St. G.), 1. Marton (St. G.).

MARCONI-FAIRFIELD 1 (Jankovics) SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH 1 (Boden) at Marconi Stadium. Crowd 1870. Votes by Alex Vesic:

6. Watson (SC), 5. Djordjevic (M), 4. Robertson (SC), 3. Jankovics (M), 2. Boden (SC), 1. Sermani (M).

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 0 SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 2 (Halford, Egan) at St. George Stadium. Crowd: about 4000. Votes by Roger Sherack:

6. Crino (SM), 5. Halford (SM), 4. Patikas (SO), 3. Egan (SM), 2. Rogers (SM), 1. Yzen-doom (SM).

Leaders:
74. O'Connor (W), 71. Yankos (H), 63. Davidson (SM), 62. Ratcliffe (St. G.), 61. Odzakovic (Mak), 57. Banfield (AC), 55. Bradley (APIA), 54. Sermani (Marc), 53. Heys (WA), Wright (BL), 52. Lowe (Newc), P. Tredinnick (APIA), 46. Greedy (St. G.), 45. J. Watson (SC), 42. Farina (C), Hoszowski (C), Carroll (JUST).

41. Mariani (APIA), 40. T. Byrne (C), Bertogna (APIA), 38. Halford (SM), Patikas (SO), Honeyman (WA), Tokesi (BC), 37. Kotholos (SO), B. Nyskohus (AC), 36. Robertson (SC), R. Stewart (BL), Vlietstra (W), Wishart, Hamilton (BC), Senkalski (N).

35. Murphy (SM), 34. G. Campbell, McMillan (Mak), Boland (JUST), Perry (BC), 33. Lucchesi (Mak), Melta (AC), 32. Lea (H), S. O'Connor (SC), Villani (AC), Niven (BL), McDowell (JUST), G. Watson (N).

31. Hunter (BL), 30. Egan (SM), Paterson (SO), Gaffney (W), Belic (JUST), Mason (N), Flounders (AC).

Top Scorers:
13. Brown (SM), Soper (SO), 12. Kosmina (SC), Bradley (APIA), 11. Egan (SM), O'Connor (W), Cotton (W), Paton (JUST), 10. Mullen (AC), Lea (H), Wright (BL), Ward, Lucchesi (Mak), 9. Marton (St.G.), R. Brown (Marc), Slater (St.G.), Lowe (N), Mountford (N), 7. J. Campbell (H), Hamilton (BC).

National League standings

Last week's standings in brackets.		HOME					AWAY					Gls	Pts
		W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A		
1.	(4) St. George Budapest	7	5	1	19	9	6	4	4	20	15	39:24	48
2.	(1) Sydney City Hakoah	9	4	0	24	6	4	5	5	16	21	40:27	48
3.	(5) South Melbourne Hellas	7	3	4	20	17	7	2	4	20	16	40:33	47
4.	(3) Newcastle KB United	6	4	3	18	7	7	3	4	24	15	42:22	46
5.	(2) Preston Makedonia	9	2	2	27	12	4	5	5	15	18	42:30	46
6.	(6) Sydney Olympic	6	3	6	22	19	5	2	5	13	12	35:31	38
7.	(7) APIA-Leichhardt	9	2	2	26	9	2	2	10	14	23	40:32	37
8.	(8) Marconi-Fairfield	6	5	3	24	18	3	5	5	15	16	39:34	37
9.	(11) Footscray J.U.S.T.	6	4	4	16	19	3	4	6	17	17	23:36	35
10.	(12) Heidelberg-Alexander	7	2	4	19	13	1	8	5	11	21	30:34	34
11.	(13) Adelaide City Juventus	6	3	6	18	17	3	3	7	15	19	33:36	33
12.	(9) Brisbane City	4	5	4	19	20	4	4	6	12	21	31:41	33
13.	(10) Canberra Arrows	7	3	3	25	13	2	2	10	15	32	40:45	32
14.	(14) West Adelaide Hellas	4	6	4	15	17	1	6	6	6	16	21:33	27
15.	(16) Brisbane Lions	5	2	6	22	21	1	4	9	11	34	33:55	24
16.	(15) Wollongong	1	10	3	18	19	2	4	8	20	33	38:54	23



Flashback to the 1980 NSL top four series — Hellas sweeper Arthur Xanthopoulos (left) heads clear in front of Marconi's Bertie Mariani, now a regular with APIA.

Weekend NSL matches with likely winners in capitals:

SATURDAY
Newcastle KB United v. St. George Budapest (draw) at International Sports Centre, 3 pm.
Record: Newc 4 wins, 1 draw, 4 losses, 15:14 goals.

SUNDAY
APIA-Leichhardt v. HEIDELBERG ALEXANDER at Lambert Park, 3 pm.
Record: Hberg 6 wins, 2 draws, 1 loss, 21:8 goals.
Brisbane City v. WOLLONGONG at Spencer Park, 3 pm.
Record: Brisb.C 2 wins, 2 draws, 1 loss, 6:5 goals.
Preston Makedonia v. FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. at Connor Reserve, 3 pm.
Record: Makedonia 4 wins, 0 draw, 1 loss, 12:3 goals.
West Adelaide Hellas v. SYDNEY OLYMPIC at Hindmarsh Stadium, 2.30 pm.
Record: Syd. Olympic 6 wins, 2 draws, 3 losses, 12:8 goals.

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS v. Marconi-Fairfield at Middle Park, 3 pm.
Record: Marconi 6 wins, 3 draws, 4 losses, 23:17 goals.
SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH v. Brisbane Lions at Marconi Stadium or St. George Stadium, 3 pm (check dailies).
Record: Hakoah 6 wins, 4 draws, 3 losses, 22:14 goals.
Canberra Arrows v. Adelaide City Juventus (draw) at Bruce Stadium, 3 pm.
Record: Adel Juve. 5 wins, 6 draws, 2 losses, 18:13 goals.

NSL team of the week

In brackets: No. of appearances in team of the week.

PARKES (2) (APIA)		RATCLIFFE (6) (St.G. Budapest)		KYRIAKOULEAS (4) (Foots. JUST)	
DJORDJEVIC (3) (Marconi)					
WATSON (6) (SC-Hakoah)	CRINO (4) (SM-Hellas)	McDOWELL (3) (Foots. JUST)	ODZAKOV (8) (Makedonia)		
MULLEN (3)	LEA (2)	PATTERSON (1)			



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No cover as Lea, Patterson break down Makedonia

Heidelberg 3 Makedonia 1

Scorers: 1-0 Cole 21st, 2-0 Lea 21st; 3-0 Lea 3-1 McMillan penalty 72nd.

Venue: Olympic Village. Crowd: about 6000. Referee: Sam Zoumas. Cautions: Yankos (H), Macleod (H).

HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER: Over: McKie 7, Macleod 8, Yankos 9, Spanos 7 — Solemidis 7, Campbell 4, Valentine 7 — Cole 7, Lea 9, Patterson 9. Coach: Jim Tansey.

PRESTON MAKEDONIA: Wilson 7 — Ollerton 6 — McMillan 7 — Opatinis 6, Jones 4 — Ilioski 4, Farrell 4, Petrovski 4, Odzakov 9 — Livingston 4 (Stolkos 76th), Lucchesi 5. Coach: Peter Ollerton.

It's back to the drawing board for Preston-Makedonia. What's gone wrong? Peter Ollerton's men led the league for almost the entire season, but now have lost four in a row and slipped to fifth place.

Theoretically, they're still in with a chance — only two points from the lead and Footscray JUST, West Adelaide Hellas and Sydney Olympic are their last three opponents.

But they're playing so poorly that even their most ardent supporters are giving them no chance of getting back on top.

One thing has led to another for Makedonia, gathering momentum until it's turned into an avalanche. There was Gary Ward's broken leg, a suspension for George McMillan, Claude Lucchesi's trip to the U.S., two injuries to George Todorovski, and now the suspension of Gordon Flavell and the departure of George Campbell.

As Ollerton said himself: "Winning becomes a habit, but so does losing."

The players' confidence, which was at an all-time high during their best period this year, has slumped alarmingly.

There's been a tactical problem as well. For many weeks, Makedonia got away with simply marking the opponents' danger men out of the game and relying on front on Gary Ward and Claude Lucchesi, supported by the brilliant Zarko Odzakov, and likewise George Campbell on the wing.



Jim Tansey — thumbs up!

But opponents became aware of the threat posed by Odzakov, and marked him more tightly. Campbell lost most of his early-season form, and with Ward out injured, Lucchesi is left alone up front.

Against Heidelberg last Sunday, Makedonia paid the price for lack of cover in defence.

Ollerton was supposed to be playing as sweeper, but in effect, Makedonia never had a sweeper. Ollerton certainly tried himself about, trying very hard to drive his team forward, but he didn't provide cover for the other defenders, as is evidenced by the fact that Derek Lea and Gary Cole often had only goalkeeper Richard Wilson to worry about once they had shaken off their markers.

By contrast, Charlie Yankos at the other end of the ground, presented a formidable barrier to anyone who had managed to get past Don Macleod, Ian McKie or John Spanos.

A through ball by Lea for Cole put Heidelberg into the lead, and a horrific defensive mistake made it 2-0 before half time, so it is possible it could be said that Makedonia had no choice but to sacrifice defensive prudence in order to throw more men forward.

But even then, the Makedonia midfield, with the exception of Odzakov, was thoroughly outplayed and the attack was completely ineffective.

In fact, had it not been for Richard Wilson positioning himself to block Jim Campbell and Cole, Makedonia would have conceded at least five goals.

Heidelberg coach Jim Tansey was so confident of stretching his unbeaten run to five weeks that he left himself on the bench, in order to give John Spanos a run at left back.

This confidence was well-founded. Apart from the 12th minute, when Odzakov raised the hopes of the Makedonia fans by hitting the post with a free kick, Heidelberg dominated the first half, with Scott Patterson, Lea and Cole tormenting Makedonia's floundering backline.

Patterson, in his second game since returning from the reserves, was probably Heidelberg's finest player — crisp and neat and imaginative with his passing, fearless in throwing his body about, tireless in the vast amount of work he did.

He's a little slimmer now, and he'll be a feared striker next season, now that he's on the pitch.

Odzakov was a one-man band for Makedonia, and I hope the club keeps him next season.

Derek Lea was unlucky not to finish the match with at least four goals, but I guess two's not a bad total either.

A header from Patterson from a Mike Valentine corner brought the first save from Wilson in the ninth minute, and Heidelberg forced a succession of six corners before it took the lead in the 21st minute.

The Gardua Cup Bali — 1 to 14 November, 1984. Held for the first time in 1983 with one team from W.A., one from N.T. and one from Victoria against the three best district teams of Bali — Indonesia. Now an annual event with package costs from Sydney and Melbourne \$850, Darwin \$600 and Perth \$600. This package is for two weeks and includes two meals daily.

WOMEN: The New Caledonia South Pacific Cup — 4 to 11 October, 1984. The second year of the tournament. In 1982 there was one team from NSW, in 1983 three from NSW and two from Victoria. In its third year, teams are expected from Australia, New Zealand and New Caledonia. Package costs from Sydney \$850, Brisbane \$500. Direct flights from Melbourne to Noumea are expected to be operating in 1984 with costs only slightly higher than Sydney.

The Fiji Challenge Cup — 12 to 19 October, 1984. This tournament is on the drawing board and will go ahead subject to sufficient interest. Further details on request.

U/13 & U/15 BOYS: The New Caledonia South Pacific Cup — 11 to 18 October, 1984. The second year of the tournament. Teams are invited from Australia, New Zealand and New Caledonia. Suitable for Youth League teams, association rep teams or any other premier club or other sides. Package costs from Sydney \$850, Brisbane \$500. Direct flights from Melbourne to Noumea are expected to be operating in 1984 with costs only slightly higher than Sydney.



Laurie Schwab



Derek Lea heads his second goal against Makedonia goalkeeper Richard Wilson. Pictures by LES SHORROCK.

Lea played a short through ball, Cole ran onto it, faced Wilson and planted the ball past him. Cole, the all-time top scorer in the NSL, now has \$6 goals in all — 15 more than second-placed Mark Jankovics of Marconi.

Seven minutes later, David Jones beat Lea to the ball, but in trying to return it to Wilson, he gave it back to Lea instead and Lea hit the side netting from close range.

Then came the type of embarrassing mistake for which Makedonia's defence has become notorious. Con Opatinis passed the ball back to Jones and Jones missed it, allowing Lea to run unchallenged around Wilson and plant the ball into the empty net.

Theo Selemidis ran past Isaac Farrell and Peter Ollerton and squared to Lea who launched yet another shot. Wilson got a desperate touch, the ball fell to Cole but Cole shot past the post.

Down by two goals, Makedonia shifted one of its few good players, George McMillan, from defence to attack. Ljube Petrovski, who was being beaten by Jim Campbell in midfield, went to McMillan's full-back position.

McMillan was to battle away gamely in attack for the rest of the match, but he was sadly missed in defence.

Heidelberg started the second half with Lea turning past Opatinis and crossing for Cole, who just missed with his head as he came flying into the net.

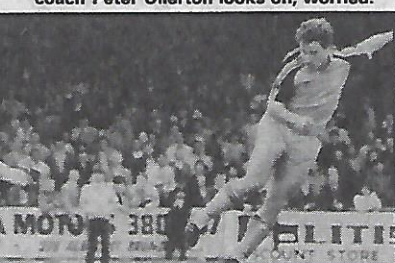
The one-way traffic continued as Cole knocked the ball first-time to Lea, who was forced a little wide by Opatinis, but managed to turn past him nevertheless, only to shoot straight at Wilson.

Lea made no mistake in the 70th minute, however, when he rose unchallenged at the far post to head home a perfect cross from Patterson, who had made his way down the left flank, leaving Petrovski a long way behind.

Makedonia hit back with a penalty two minutes later.



Heidelberg star Scott Patterson challenges goalkeeper Richard Wilson as Makedonia coach Peter Ollerton looks on, worried.



Derek Lea heads his second goal against Makedonia goalkeeper Richard Wilson. Pictures by LES SHORROCK.

A great pass by Odzakov set up Claude Lucchesi who was about to shoot for goal when he was brought down from behind by Ian McKie. Referee Sam Zoumas pointed to the spot and George McMillan made no mistake with a low shot.

Back at the other end, Lea shot into the net on the turn after a first-time pass from Patterson, but it was offside. Then Lea played a through ball for Cole who ran into the middle, but hit Wilson with his shot.

Con Stolkos replaced Alex Livingstone in Makedonia's attack in the 76th minute, and then Odzakov wasted a possible scoring chance. He ran past opponents, into the area, but instead of passing to unmarked McMillan on his right, he continued to hold the ball and finally was dispossessed by John Spanos who conceded a corner.

Lea stormed in for what looked like his hat-trick near the end of the match, but Wilson blocked him, and then Wilson held a Lea header.

Makedonia hit back with a penalty two minutes later.

Lujic joins Ristovski at the top

Foots JUST 2 WA-Hellas 0

Scorers: Lujic 61m, Paton 75m. Ground: Schinter Reserve. Attendance: 1500 (estimated).

Referee: C. Bambridge. Cautions: McDowell, Hiern, Manou.

FOOTSCRAY JUST: Boland 8, Curuvic 7, Kyriakoulas 8, Tull 8, Hazenbent 7, Biele 6, McDowell 9, O'Donnell 6, Carroll 6, Paton 7, Lujic 7. Coach: Bob MacLachlan.

WEST ADELAIDE-HELLAS: Crook 6, Papazoglou 6, Hiern 7, Dunn 8, McGregor 7, Honeyman 7, Manou 7 (Baker 82m), Atsakis 6, Heys 8, Brown 6, Konstantopoulos 7. Coach: Peter Koullizos.

Zdravko Lujic became J.U.S.T.'s joint overall top scorer in the NSL by breaking the deadlock in a match that proved to be more entertaining than indicated by the pre-game statistics.

The winger controlled a pass from Joe Carroll to blast a shot past Martyn Crook from the left side of the area in the 61st minute after Jamie Paton had started the move, by robbing Robbie Dunn.

Lujic now has scored 21 goals in five years at JUST and shares the club's overall lead with Mendo Ristovski who managed his haul in four seasons.

'Lujic' scored six in 1978, two in 79, five in 80, three in 81 and also has bagged three to date this season.

The club's other high scorers are Joe Picione with 20, Joe Palinkas with 17 and Zoran Ilioski and Jim Kondariotis both on 16.

The match proved to be an entertaining affair with several scoring chances, an all-round improvement from the West Adelaide side which had been given the run around the previous week and it provided also more proof that Gary McDowell is one of the prize imports of the season.

McDowell still nursing a gashed head and a black eye from the previous week's clash with St George, was shifted into midfield and proved to be just as effective as his man-of-the-match performance at centre half against the Saints.

He had an intriguing duel with Chris Manou, winning a number of aerial duels and several tackles despite giving away inches and bulk to the Hellas strongman.

On top of that his distribution was faultless and he also got forward, setting up a number of attacking moves for 'Plavi'.

All the same it was Hellas which had the better of exchanges in the first half.

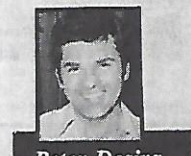
George Konstantopoulos headed wide from a cross by Graeme Honeyman after 17 minutes, the same two combined in the 32nd minute for the Greek winger to send a shot past Boland which skimmed off the crossbar, and then the keeper pulled off the save of the match, flying across goal to tip over a Manou shot.

A tongue lashing from JUST coach Bobby MacLachlan added more bite into the side but West again hit the woodwork through Ian McGregor before JUST finally broke the deadlock with that Lujic goal just past the hour mark.

McDowell sidled past Honeyman for a crack at goal which was blocked before JUST settled the match with the second goal in the 75th minute.

Brenton Hiern practically tore the shirt off Carroll's back in his attempt to stop the striker shooting and referee Chris Bambridge immediately pointed to the spot.

Paton strode up to send the keeper the wrong way to convert the penalty and notch up his 11th goal of the season.



Peter Desira

clash with St George, was shifted into midfield and proved to be just as effective as his man-of-the-match performance at centre half against the Saints.

He had an intriguing duel with Chris Manou, winning a number of aerial duels and several tackles despite giving away inches and bulk to the Hellas strongman.

On top of that his distribution was faultless and he also got forward, setting up a number of attacking moves for 'Plavi'.

All the same it was Hellas which had the better of exchanges in the first half.

George Konstantopoulos headed wide from a cross by Graeme Honeyman after 17 minutes, the same two combined in the 32nd minute for the Greek winger to send a shot past Boland which skimmed off the crossbar, and then the keeper pulled off the save of the match, flying across goal to tip over a Manou shot.

A tongue lashing from JUST coach Bobby MacLachlan added more bite into the side but West again hit the woodwork through Ian McGregor before JUST finally broke the deadlock with that Lujic goal just past the hour mark.

McDowell sidled past Honeyman for a crack at goal which was blocked before JUST settled the match with the second goal in the 75th minute.

Brenton Hiern practically tore the shirt off Carroll's back in his attempt to stop the striker shooting and referee Chris Bambridge immediately pointed to the spot.

Paton strode up to send the keeper the wrong way to convert the penalty and notch up his 11th goal of the season.

Farina to join Lions?

Brisb. Lions 2 Canberra 1

Scorers: BL: Wright 51st, Daunt 60th; Can: MacLaren 22nd.

Venue: Richlands. Crowd: About 150. Cautions: BL - R. Stewart, Hogg, C - Stone, Bryant.

Referee: Dave Nugent. **LIONS:** Bevas 7, McKimmie 6, P. Stewart 7, Hunt 7, Niven 8, Hogg 6, J. Stewart 7, Vincent 8, Anderson 8, Wright 7 (Vasquez 84th), Daunt 7.

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Lions officials believe Farina, with an experienced player in the defence or centre of the field, is all they need to have a top side next year.

But Farina is not so sure. "They didn't show much," was his comment after the match.

But he did boast Lions' hopes with a comment later. "If I play National League next year I would have to seriously consider the offers from Queensland. But I am not saying anything until the end of the season."

Lions obviously need a reliable striker who can put away the many chances they are creating of late.

Noumea, Fiji, Bali

Sportswell Tours of Sydney are organising soccer tours to New Caledonia, Bali, New Caledonia and Fiji.

They are: — **MEN:** The New Caledonia South Pacific Cup — 18 to 25 October, 1984. This is the second year of the annual tournament to which teams from Australia, New Zealand and New Caledonia are invited. Package costs from Sydney \$560, Brisbane \$590.

Direct flights from Melbourne to Noumea are expected to be operating in 1984 with costs only slightly higher than Sydney.

The Gardua Cup Bali — 1 to 14 November, 1984. Held for the first time in 1983 with one team from W.A., one from N.T. and one from Victoria against the three best district teams of Bali — Indonesia. Now an annual event with package costs from Sydney and Melbourne \$850, Darwin \$600 and Perth \$600. This package is for two weeks and includes two meals daily.

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World Club Cup

From page one

As it is, Oceania consists of only Fiji, New Zealand, Papua-New Guinea, Australia and Taiwan.

Other confederations are bound to object to the relative ease of winning the Oceania championship.

Let's say Adelaide Juventus is the Oceania title-holder, and in the World Club Cup, it meets Tokyo Kyogyo of Japan. Would Juventus draw a big enough crowd in Adelaide to cover Tokyo Kyogyo's air fares?

And how do you play the World Club Cup? Do all six play a round robin, home and away? Are they split into two groups?

Another problem is that the northern and southern hemispheres have different soccer seasons.

But the potential of the proposal is enormous. It would attract rich sponsorship for the clubs that make it, and it would certainly attract television coverage (although in Australia we'd have to wait and see Soccer's not yachting, after all.)

Obviously FIFA will be careful not to have this new competition clashing with the World Cup or the World Youth Championships, meaning that players unable to get into the international spotlight in those two events, have a third possibility.

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Newcastle KB United — will they win the championship? From left, standing: Ken Kaiser (coach), Peter Burke, Bob Mountford, Clint Gosling, Grant Leo, Gary Watson, David Jones. Front: Bernard Kerby, Joe Senkalski, Craig Mason, David Lowe, Howard Tradnick, Ralph Mair. Picture by CARLOS PICASSO

Youth league

National Youth League: AIS 2 St George 1, APIA 2 Olympic 1. Final standings: Sydney City 55, Newcastle 42, St George 41, AIS 39, Olympic 33, Marconi 31, Canberra 29, APIA 20, Wollongong 15.

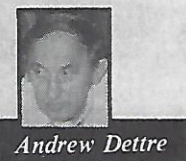
Jankovics opens up the title race

Alex Vesic

Marconi 1 SC-Hakoah 1

Scorers: Boden (SC) Jankovics (M).
Ground: Marconi Stadium
Crowd: 1870
Referee: Richard Lorenz
Yellow cards: Mullen, Cant, O'Connor, Kay, Boden (SC) Budini, Winn (M)

Can Saints keep top spot?



St George 2 APIA 1

Scorers: St George - Ratcliffe 14th, Slater 26th - APIA - Carter 34th.
Venue: St George Stadium
Crowd: 3100
Referee: Tony Boskovic 9.
ST GEORGE BUDAPEST: Greedy 6, Skene 8, M. O'Shea 7, Ratcliffe 8, R. O'Shea 8, Stone 7, Wilkinson 6, J. O'Shea 7, Slater 6, Marton 7 (Petkovski 84th min). Coach: Frank Arok.

APIA-LEICHHARDT: Parks 8, Carter 7, Bertogna 7, Mariani 6, Brown 6, J. Bottalico 6, Bradley 6, Valeri 6 (Sharne 81st min), P. Tredinnick 8, Marsello 6, Gray 7. Coach: Fil Bottalico.

Three flukey goals decided the fate of the match.

No. 1: In the 14th minute Bobby Parks is penalised for exceeding the four-step rule. Marconi's precision job finds Ratcliffe whose header from five metres is deadly.

No. 2: In the 26th minute Bertie Mariani's volleyed clearance in the goalmouth hits Ratcliffe smack in the face - the ball runs loose to Slater who dummies and slots in a low shot at the near post.

No. 3: Carter takes a free-kick on the right, some 35 metres from goal. The "badly judged" ball, almost certainly meant for the goalmouth, sails over everybody's head, including the stunned Greedy, and pops into the far corner.

Much better actions and combinations before and later failed to add to the scoreline - such are the fortunes of war.

For the first 30 minutes, until that demoralising Carter goal, the Saints were toying with APIA and seemed set to cruise to a very big win.

A vicious Marton freekick in the 34th minute missed by inches and after 2-0, Stone's shot went narrowly over the bar.

The Saints were flinging the ball around delightfully - here was the Arok School in action. But it all changed after 2-1; APIA took over and continued to hold almost all the aces until the last 20 minutes when it simply ran out of steam.

Bradley, Marsello and Valeri all had great chances from not further than eight metres - but all shot over the bar.

In between, the Saints, having regained their earlier composure, created two even bigger chances.

In the 70th minute a delicate Marton chip was dispatched goalwards, beating Parks, only to see Carter head it off the line.

A mere five minutes later, after a solo slalom through the defence, Marton chipped a perfect cross to the far post where Wilkinson, unmolesomed, somehow headed wide from four metres.

Both teams were laboring under handicaps: APIA was without playmaker Butler (suspended), while the Saints, without adequate depth among the reserves, had to field a semi-fit Slater, Wilkinson, Marton, Barton and the flustered Robbie O'Shea.

MARCONI: James 7, Djordjevic 8, Henderson 8, Budini 7, Bozanic 7, Carbone 5, (Licata 80) Sermani 7, McCulloch 6, Jankovics 7, Winn 7, Hunter 6.

SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH: Pezzano 7, Mullen 6 (Gomez 75), O'Connor 6, Robertson 8, Cant 6, Kay 6, Watson 8, Barnes 6, Murray 5, Boden 7, Kosmina 5.

Sydney City Hakoah lost its lead in the National League after a dismal performance at Marconi Stadium.

For the first quarter of an hour, Hakoah looked all set to overpower Marconi by a comfortable margin.

Ken Boden was on hand to capitalise on an error by Sermani before playing a neat one-two with John Kosmina and racing through Marconi's backline before beating James in the 15th minute, then Hakoah had a penalty kick some eight minutes later after McCulloch and Bozanic appear to tackle Kosmina on the edge of the box.

Kosmina hit the post and from that moment on Marconi gained a new lease of life.

Hakoah battled gamely but then came the equaliser from Jankovics, one of the best he has scored at Marconi Stadium. Hunter floated a cross to the far post, Winn had a touch before Jankovics hit a left-foot volley which rocketed past Pezzano and into the top left-hand corner.

A few minutes later it was Hunter who hit a left-footer that beat Pezzano, only to see the ball clear the crossbar by inches. Then, in the last minute, it was Jankovics again who broke through Hakoah's defence to face Pezzano but his left foot hit the crossbar.

Minutes after the restart

Boden missed a glaring opportunity with only James to beat.

With the visitors unable to do more than simply contain Marconi, a few over-enthusiastic tackles crept into the game, with no less than seven cards being shown, five to Hakoah, and two to Marconi. Steve O'Connor was lucky to stay on the park after some scuffles which took place before referee Richie Lorenz.

In the closing stages, both sides had their chances with John Kosmina missing a sitter in the 86th, then Marconi missing at least three sitters with Sermani, McCulloch and Jankovics the culprits.

It was a shame that Hakoah lost the rhythm of its first 23 minutes, then indulged in fouling or "paying back" instead of concentrating on the match.

Joe Watson was the bright spark in this Hakoah side, with Jovan Djordjevic having a solid game for Marconi.

Hakoah almost lost the battle, but had it done so it would have had only itself to blame. Not all, I must add; Joe Watson and Kenny Boden with some skillful touches are a delight to watch.

The same could be said for Tom Sermani and Jovan Djordjevic in the Marconi team. There were some solid performances from Robertson, Pezzano, Henderson, Winn and Jankovics but I'm afraid that's where it all ends.

Paul Kay was hogging the ball, Murray Barnes was too quick to release the thing, while Steve O'Connor preferred to "give 'em heaps" rather than to indulge in soccer. Jimmy Cant had a running argument with the referee which lasted almost a full hour, almost costing Hakoah the game in the 77th minute.

He and Gomez argued about the throw-in and Hunter was the recipient of a quick throw in which was crossed for Jan-

kovics but luckily for Hakoah was missed.

Marconi had its own problems with Attilio Carbone out of touch, Licata (for a short time on the park) still looking to regain form, and Henderson and Budini working at cross purposes at times. But the Winn-Jankovics combination up front is starting to look dangerous.

Tom Sermani, Bozanic and Djordjevic had solid games while McCulloch also put a lot of effort into the game.



Mark Jankovics

Lucky KB thanks to David Lowe

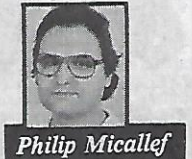
Wollongong 2 Newcastle 2

Venue: Wollongong Show-ground
Crowd: Approx 1000
Referee: Davies 7
Scorers: Cotton 6th, Dunleavy 28th, Lowe 70th & 89th.

WOLLONGONG: Preston 7 - Willis 8, Dunleavy 7, Vlastara 7, Fleming 7 - Ainsworth 8, Dummett 7, Gaffney 8 - Dickson 7, Cotton 8, P. Connor.

NEWCASTLE: Gosling 7 - Maier 7, Watson 7, Burke 7H, Tredinnick 7 - Lee 7, Mason 7, Senkalski 7, Jones 8 - Lowe 8, Mountford 7.

"It's the same old story," is how Wollongong coach Willie Wallace summed up this derby match against title-chaser Newcastle.



Philip Micallef

Wollongong was clearly the better team in the first period. But after taking a commanding two-goal lead the Wolves were happy just to contain the Novocastrians and rely on breaks.

Newcastle grabbed this chance to get back into the game and two goals from David Lowe sent them back home with a point which looked a most improbable proposition at half time.

Striker Roy Cotton put the

Crino and Halford the stars

By Roger Sherack

Syd. Olympic 0 SM-Hellas 2

Scorers: Halford 29', Egan 85'.
Crowd: about 4000
Referee: Bob Davies 8
Ground: St George Stadium
SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier 6, Rogers 7, Coady 6, Dakos 6, Jennings 6, Raskopoulos 5, Kacholos 5, Phillips 5, Patikas 7, Soper 5, Patalis 5 (Koussas 80').

SOUTH MELBOURNE: HELLAS: Laumets 7, Russell 7, Blair 7, Ysendoorn 7, Davidson 7, Halford 8, Murphy 7, Crino 8, Egan 7, Wooddin 7, Brown 6.

Much ado about nothing between these sides, started

last year with some alleged statements by Peter Raskopoulos and the unfortunate player was on the receiving end of some harsh treatment by the local supporters when Olympic tackled Hellas down south.

Olympic fans repayed the gesture, with a rubbish bin being thrown by one of the supporters at a Hellas player.

Peter Raskopoulos was again in the thick of things when a pass by Jennings rebounded off his shin to Murphy who held it wide, pushed it in for Crino, then a quick nudge to Halford and a left footer did the damage - Olympic was behind by one.

Olympic never recovered from that shock, with the fortunate "Rasko" and his team-mate Peter Katholios having one of those off days they'd rather forget.

Jim Patikas had a bright match but it was far too little to cause Hellas any real harm.

The visitors, first 25 minutes apart, looked in complete control and should have won by a far bigger margin. Oscar Crino was in a delightful mood, and so was Carl Halford. When you add the tenacity of Murphy, strong efforts from all the defenders and Egan always ready to pounce, you get the picture of Hellas as candidate for the title.

Egan beat Meier after one of the best moves this game. Alan Davidson took a throw and Crino took the ball into the Olympic half. His pass found Egan who shot only to see it partly cleared and straight back at his feet. A quick one-two with Crino and Egan was in for yet another shot, this time straight past helpless Meier to make it 2-0 with only five minutes remaining.

And while Sydney Olympic will go back to the drawing board, its supporters wondering what one has to do to succeed. Hellas and its coach Len McKendry can do no wrong. Their tenth win out of 14 matches has put them within one point of leader St George.

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Mighty Mullen



Meno Toutsidis

Ad. C. Juventus 2 Brisbane City 0

Scorer: Mullen 8th & 51st
Ground: Olympic Sports Field
Crowd: 1000
Referee: Don Campbell 8

ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS: McNally 7 - Shillabeer 7, Flounders 8, B. Nyskohus 8, Dods 7, Molts 7, Blair 7, Carter 7 - Villani 8, Rankin 8, Mullen 9.

BRISBANE CITY: Wishart 6 - Kowtan 6, Tokasi 8, Perry 6, Wilkinson 6 - Bromfield 6, Liddell 6, Glocker 6 - Chapman 6, Fabrizio 6, Hughes 6.

The only interest in this match after Joe Mullen had notched his second in the 51st minute, was if the teenager could get his first NSL hat-trick.

He has scored four goals in the past three matches and if he can maintain his deadly finishing, Juventus could end the season with a flourish.

The match was effectively over in the eighth minute when Mullen guided a cross around Kim Wishart's left-hand post.

Fortunately, Juventus' mid-field took a firm grip on the match after the break and the small crowd had something to get excited about.

Mullen's second goal arrived at a time when Juventus was in full flight.

But the goal was a sloppy affair.

Peter Rankin found Mullen with a chip, but he failed to get a hold of it and Wishart should have easily swallowed it.

But he managed only to block it and this time Mullen whipped it past him.

Brisbane City's best player was Peter Tokasi and he needed to be in form because Juventus' attacking trio Mullen, Rankin and Mullen was in full flight.

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A SOCCER ACTION SPECIAL FEATURE



By CRAIG MACKENZIE

HONORS GALORE

You can't blame a few Frankston Pines supporters for being a little blasé about success. League championships are an accepted part of this progressive club's way of life.

The foundation of the club goes back to the mid 1960's when it was known as "The Pines Boys Soccer Club", due to the fact that it started with juniors only.

A lot of parents enjoyed a "kick around" on Sunday afternoons so it only was natural that a senior team was formed. After a succession of friendly games, the senior team entered the South of the Yarra league and in its first season, 1967, finished runner-up.

The following year Pines went a step better by winning the championship of the now defunct District League. The players who took part in this historic event were P. Blasby, B. Jackson, J. Tennent, J. Johnson, B. Lewis, J. Godwin, L. Woodward, J. Ward, G. Paulding, M. Bower, G. Law, A. Fairclough, D. Bonar, P. Cassup and B. Millar.

There was no promotion into Metro ranks in those days, so Pines had to be content to compete in the lower leagues and in 1972 the club again won the District League championship. The following season, 1973, Pines played in the newly formed Provisional League and made it two championships in a row. The VSF reorganised the Provisional League in 1977, opening up promotion and relegation between the Provisional League and the Metropolitan League, which was great news for Pines.

Former Australian international John Anderson coached Pines in 1977 but the side failed to find the consistency required to win the championship, finishing fourth behind Werribee, Fawkner and Geelong.

George Paulding took over as coach for 1978 and Pines started the season in great fashion, showing plenty of character and determination, going 17 games undefeated before losing at home to Hamlyn Rangers. During that superb stretch Pines scored 58 goals and conceded just 14.

After losing to Hamlyn Rangers, Pines lapsed in form, finishing the last five matches with just one win and two draws. Nevertheless, its lead was insurmountable and Pines were champions of the Provisional League for 1978.

At last the club had gained the reward it so richly deserved — entry into Metro ranks — and the bandwagon kept rolling year in, year out.

Tommy Randles was appointed coach for the 1979 season, guiding the club to the Metro Fourth Division title. Pines continued their triumphant march through Metro ranks by winning the Third Division championship in 1980 and their second placed finish to the 1981 season in Second Division gave them a ticket into the First Division.

Pines finished fourth in First Division last season, Randles' last, after an outstanding four year coaching stint.

Danny McMinimée was appointed coach for this season, guiding the club to a runner-up place behind champion Western Suburbs.

Now, Pines are set to make their assault on the State League championship next year. What an amazing feat it would be if Pines won the title and gained inclusion in the NSL in 1985. From Provisional League to NSL in six seasons? There's not a club in Victoria and probably no-one in Australia who could match such an effort.



Pines in 1980. Back row: Brian Paulding, George Malcolm, Colin Mitchell, David Stutchbury, Sean Harrison, Steve Cairns, Gary Watson. Front row: Dave Ferris, Bobby Dobbing, John Irvine, Dennis Bennett, John Cameron, Hans Effren.

FRANKSTON



Frankston Pines. Back row: Danny McMinimée (coach), Chris Kovac, Kevin Wall, Brian Paulding, John Cullen, Gordon Livingstone, Ian McGinnigle, Jimmy Wilson, John Cummings, Tommy Mitchell

(team manager). Front row: John McDonald (assistant coach), Danny Davidson, Paul Cooke, Lou Ivanoff, Tom O'Halloran, Steve Beech, Paul Luca, Craig Miller, Steve Spencer. Missing: Ian McNeil.

Beech the supporters' best

Steve Beech, who joined this year from Preston Makodonia, was voted Player of the Year recently by the Frankston Pines supporters' club.

Former Slavia midfielder John Cullen was runner-up and former Nunawading City and Morwell star, Tom O'Halloran, was third.

The supporters' presentation night is a separate function from the club presentation night which will be held at the clubrooms on the evening of Saturday, October 22.

Previous winners of the supporters club Player of the Year award have been Derek Thomas, Colin Mitchell, Bobby Dobbing and Sam Murray.

The award for the supporters' club Player of the Year in the reserves was won by Steve Spencer. Runner-up was Bob Geddis.

Voting in this unique award is done by a panel of five supporters who cast votes at every league match throughout the season.

Hodgson at the helm

John Hodgson, a self employed businessman, chairman of the Metropolitan League board of management and member of the VSF board of management, is president of Frankston Pines and chairs committee meetings.

Hodgson also is on three VSF standing committees: the grounds and fixtures sub-committee, the tours sub-committee, and the examining and screening sub-committee.

The other Pines office bearers are: John Bardsley (secretary); Henry Tobin (vice-president); Mrs Sheila Hodgson (treasurer); and Bill Lewis (junior secretary).

General committee members are Ted Chester, Alan Stirling, Bob Ward, Jim Luca and Joe Tromans.

The club will hold its annual general meeting for 1983 on Monday, October 24, starting at 8pm. The venue is the clubrooms at Monterey Boulevard.



HONORED WITH A

Frankston city council will honor Frankston Pines with a civic reception at the council chambers tomorrow evening (Thursday).

The club's first team players, coaching staff and committee will be guests of the Lord Mayor of Frankston, emphasising the healthy relationship existing between the club and council.

Pines are a rarity among soccer clubs in Victoria. They have a heightened sense of community

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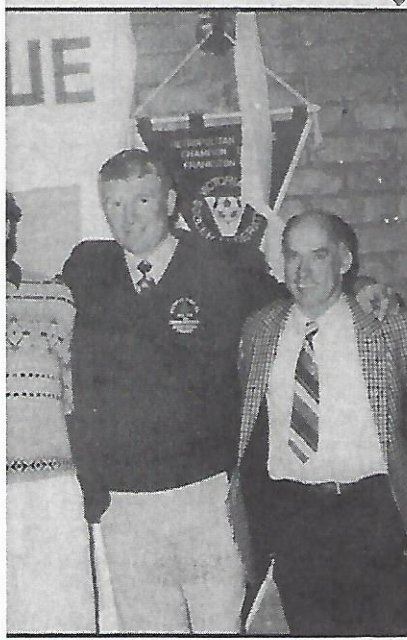
WINNERS

The first British club to win State League?

Frankston Pines need five new players to win State League next year according to coach Danny McMinimiee - a back four player, two midfielders and two strikers.

However, McMinimiee stressed that the current first teamers would be given the first opportunity to prove themselves worthy of State League competition next year. "We want to be the first British club to win the State League championship and we've got everything going for us. There's no reason why Frankston Pines can't do it in 1984. All recent State League champions have been clubs with plenty of money and a really sound administration. Pines have got both."

Winners on and off the field, gathered together at Frankston Pines recent supporters' club presentation night. From left: Jane Hill (Labor MLA for Frankston), Tom O'Halloran, David Charles (Labor member for the federal seat of Isaacs), Steve Beech, John Cullen, John Hodgson (club president), councillor Ted Holman, councillor Albert Knowles. Picture by LES SHORROCK.



CIVIC RECEPTION

ness as evidenced by the part they play in running charity functions for local bodies.

Frankston Community Hospital was the beneficiary of charity days organised by Pines in 81 and 82. Over \$2,000 was raised on one of these occasions. This year the local Menzies Boys

playing days were spent with Slavia, Preston Makedonia, Dandenong City, Whyalla Lions and Doveton. He joined the Doves in 1974, taking over as caretaker coach during the latter part of that season. The following year, 1976 McMinimiee, as non-playing coach, guided Doveton to promotion from the Metro Third Division. He refused to coach the club in 1976 when the club wanted to form a selection committee but after Brian Edgley left early in 1977, McMinimiee was recalled and under him the Doves won the Second Division championship.

Doveton played in First Division in 1978 and 1979 then came perhaps the most successful year in the club's history - 1980. Under McMinimiee, Doveton won the First Division title and the Metropolitan League Cup then stunned the soccer world by finishing third in State League in 1981, its first year in Victorian soccer's premier competition. The club also was beaten in the final of the 1981

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However, McMinimiee resigned from the club before the start of the 1983 season. "I felt Doveton had gone as far as it could. The club was unable to generate the extra income needed to buy the few players that could have allowed it to take a crack at the title. I felt that I couldn't do any more there."

McMinimiee switched to Melbourne, taking the Hungarian-backed club to the Second Division title last year.

"It was a really enjoyable year for me at Melbourne. I had a great time there. But Melbourne had a similar problem to Doveton's. The club couldn't really put the time and effort into team building to have a try at the First Division championship because all its energies were directed to establishing its new headquarters at Williamstown."

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New dressing rooms, gymnasium and terracing on the way

Frankston Pines won't merely be out to consolidate their new State League status next year. According to secretary John Bardsley predominantly British, the working class club will aim to win the championship.

"We're out to win the State League title in 1984. And if we do it, we expect to be invited to join the National League under the new promotion and relegation set-up and we'll accept," said Bardsley, in his 12th year with Pines.

Bardsley came to Australia in 1971 from Manchester in England where he played rugby league. An uncle and cousin here introduced him to Frankston Pines and he became a member. Bardsley joined the social committee in 1973, serving as chairman for a time, until joining the main committee as secretary in 1978. He left the club in 1979 due to work commitments but returned in 1981.

He's seen the development of the club's fine facilities at its Monterey Boulevard home complex and like all long serving Pines supporters, he's extremely proud of the club's achievements both on and off the park.

"When I first joined, our rooms consisted of a little green shed at the side of the ground. In 1972 we built new clubrooms, encompassing changing rooms, showers, kitchen and social areas. We added about \$80,000 worth of extensions in 1980 and we now have one of the finest clubrooms in Victoria. And a lot of the work has been done by members. That's the kind of club we are."

The clubrooms are insured against fire and damage. The insurance company valued them at \$250,000.

Work should start soon on new changing rooms. The local council will put up \$15,000, half of the project's cost.

Pines also are developing their car parking facilities. The present car parking area, from the main entrance to the social rooms, will have tarmac laid shortly.

Other proposed works include a gymnasium, terracing on the covered stand area on the outer part of the ground, and a press and members stand joining the present clubrooms. When completed, the latter will seat 100 people. Floodlighting is another area of planned development. The club hopes to improve its floodlighting in order to play mid-week matches.

The council already has started work on top-dressing the main ground which should be in excellent condition next year.

When Bardsley joined Pines, he was one of about 100 members, a figure which has jumped to over 500 this year. With more media attention focussed on the club in State League in 1984 and the social club in full swing (the club hopes to be granted a full liquor licence late this year) Pines have every reason to believe that they are just a handful of years away from striding alongside the might of Victorian soccer in clubs like South Melbourne, Hellas, Heidelberg, Footscray J.U.S.T., Preston Makedonia, Green Gully Ajax, Croatia and Juventus.

Bardsley has a high opinion of coach Danny McMinimiee, the former Doveton boss who was hired by Pines this year.

"Danny came to us with a lot of new ideas. He had a more professional outlook than anything we'd seen before. He's a very strict disciplinarian but when it came to players participating in club functions, he told them that he didn't want to see them sitting in their own groups. He wanted them to mix with the members, to make everyone realise that we're all in this together and that's very important for any club," said Bardsley.

Pines don't enjoy large sponsorship. Frankly, it doesn't matter. They only get about \$3,000 a year in sponsorship money but are so strong socially, that they enjoy a very healthy financial position, which is likely to further when the club gains a full liquor licence.

The average attendance at Pines games this year has been about 500, a figure which should jump to around 1,000 over the next few seasons.

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HO, HUM, IT'S GREEN AND WHITE AGAIN

If Laurie Schwab, Peter Desira, Bob Brian and Les Shorrock can move over a little (actually, a lot) there just might be enough room for me to squeeze into a place near the rear of the Green Gully Ajax bandwagon.

Just about everyone I know expects Ajax to win the State League Cup on Sunday by beating arch rival Melbourne Croatia in the final at Olympic Park No. 1.

It's all becoming a bit of a bore really. Here we go again with another cup draped in green and white ribbons. But imagine Mr. Shorrock lauding the qualities of the green and whites. Remember his match report in "Soccer Action" on July 26 this year? The headline read: "Ajax won't win championship".

Mr. Shorrock's report on Ajax's 1-0 win against Albion opened with this paragraph: "As far as football skills were concerned, this game was a dismal flop, and a bitter disappointment to Gully fans who are hoping against hope that their heroes can retain their title...no chance!"

My, how the fickle fluctuates! It's Gully all the way now.

I make no qualms about this. I just love saying I told you so, but Mr. Shorrock's sudden change of heart has cast doubt on Gully's ability to account for Croatia on Sunday. The Gully players have to be careful not to become too cocky, because Croatia has players who can get into scoring positions and finish well.

I'm not just talking about Dave Brogan and Tommy Cumming. Josip Biskic and Jozo Antolovic have scored 10 goals in the league between them this season and Jeff Faulkner strikes a powerful shot, especially on his left foot. Steve Gojevic's close ball skills are as good as any in State League. The one cloud over the talented youngster's ability to perform here, hovers over his physical qualities. That's an area of his game which still needs to be developed.

And against hard hitting Ajax, you don't get second chances. Ajax has much more bite in midfield whereas Croatia's midfielders, with the exception of Jeff Faulkner, are relatively inexperienced. That's a worry for Croatia supporters.

The last time David Smallman played in a cup final at Olympic Park's main ground he scored a classic goal and played a superb through ball for Paul Lewis to score. Smallman's magic had a big hand in Ajax's stunning 5-0 win over Heidelberg Alexander in this year's Ampol Cup final.

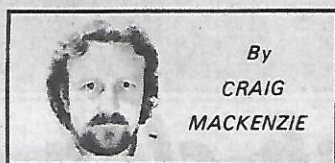
It's important however, to note that there's been little between Ajax and Croatia in their two league games this season. Up at Green Gully Reserve, in the first clash, the

teams finished locked together at 1-1. At Olympic Park, in the second half of the season, Ajax had two good strikes at goal, scoring once, and running out a narrow 1-0 victory.

This should be a very close, hard fought game. The only reason I think Ajax will win is because of its far greater experience and because of striker Paul Lewis. But it won't surprise me one bit to see extra time needed to separate the two outstanding teams of State League in 1983.

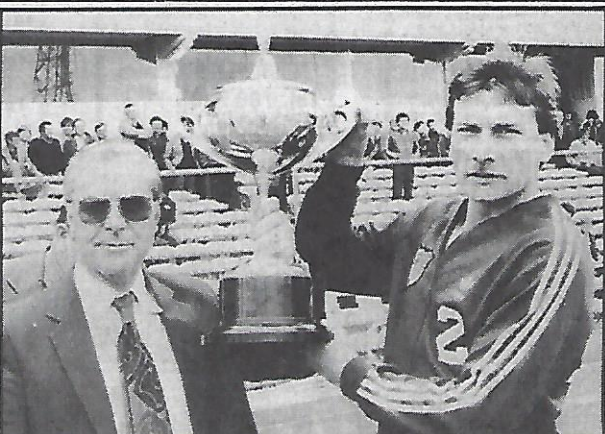
Sunday's double header kicks off at 1.15 pm with a meaningless match for third and fourth place between Juventus and Croydon. Juventus should win.

With a fit Andrew Zinni back in the line-up and Kevin Swinscoe due to get his game in mid-field, Juventus deservedly starts favorite. The black and whites easily accounted for Croydon at Croydon Park in the second half of the league season and although this game will be a far tougher proposition, Juventus fans should go home well satisfied.



By
**CRAIG
MACKENZIE**

GREEN GULLY AJAX			
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Tommy CUMMING	David BROGAN		



Ajax captain Peter Lewis (right) holds up the 1983 State League championship cup. At left is State League chairman Vito Cilauro. Picture by LES SHORROCK

IT'S AJAX AND AJAX AND AJAX AND AJAX

LES SHORROCK: I think Green Gully will win the State League Cup, and the Dockerty Cup, in fact I think it could win the Melbourne Cup as well, if it wasn't too late for acceptance.

Quite apart from the fact that Craig Mackenzie has bullied me into picking the Greens, I honestly think they can do the quiddie this year and leave the State League in a blaze of glory.

Gully has the big match temperament to carry off both finals, and Olympic Park suits it admirably. I think that Bobby Toal on one flank and Jim Williams on the other will stretch Croatia's somewhat pedestrian defence to breaking point, and the ever-alert Paul Lewis will pounce on the slightest error, as he proved last Sunday with that fierce volley that came back off the crossbar before Gary Clayton could blink.

On sure, Croatia has clever players in Josip Biskic, Jozo Antolovic and Steve Gojevic, prompting two of the best strikers in the business, but their build-ups tend to be too elaborate, and I think Gully will be too direct for them.

What about Tommy Cumming, you say. Well he's my favorite player. I'm quite unashamed to say, and one of the greatest ever to pull on a Victorian shirt, and he'll cover every blade of grass on the ground, but he can't win the Cup for his own team.

Yes, it's Green Gully for mine. LAURIE SCHWAB: I reckon this one will go into penalties. Croatia has put itself at a disadvantage by sacking John Gardiner, one of the shrewdest coaches in the business, but his successor Tommy Cumming is following Gardiner's style. Cumming and Dave Brogan have been in great goalscoring form, but so too have Ajax's Paul Lewis and David Smallman.

Against strikers like that, both sets of defences will display an iron will and a resolute

spirit. It'll be a mammoth battle in midfield, where Biskic, Antolovic, Gojevic and Faulkner give Croatia the edge in skill. If they keep the ball moving in order to avoid Ajax's tackles, this quartet may just turn the game Croatia's way.

But Ajax's three-man midfield always is bolstered by the overlapping runs of full backs Peter Lewis and Dave Hogben, and it's likely that Biskic and Gojevic will be left gaping in awe as Lewis and Hogben power past on the flanks.

I expect a full-time score of 1-1 or 2-2, leading to the penalties showdown, when goalkeepers Lou Denys and Peter Blasby will decide the fate of the match.

I lean Ajax's way. BOB BRIAN: Green Gully should win the State League Cup. They're the best team in the league and they've got too many good players not to win, as far as I'm concerned.

Gully has the strongest defence in the league. That's borne out by the fact that they conceded the least amount of goals throughout the league season.

I don't think that Croatia's back four is as good as Gully's. There are weaknesses in Croatia's defensive make-up and Paul Lewis, with his speed, is just the man to exploit them. With the exception of Tony Curcio, Croatia isn't really quick at the back, although Keith Adams is pretty mobile.

Olympic Park suits Green Gully. The one thing Gully has to beware of is over-confidence. But after hearing about the reception the Croatia fans gave Gully last weekend, and knowing that Gully probably will get more of the same on Sunday, this will act as a spur to make Gully's players work even harder.

Gully's excellent defence takes a lot of weight off the midfielders. It allows mid-fielders to get forward in sup-

port of the front men which is one of the keys to the club's success.

Green Gully's got the best players and the better team.

PETER DESIRA: Melbourne Croatia won the most matches and scored the most goals in the State League this season—but it failed to come up with the goods in matches that count. And that is why, in the end, it lost the title.

It has yet to convince me that it has learned to handle pressure situations and the recent unsettling coaching change leads me to believe that Green Gully will go on to win the final and collect its third trophy for the season.

Regardless of the fact that Tommy Cumming will stick to the pattern established throughout the season, John Gardiner's absence from the bench will be felt and it will be much harder for the winger to spot and make any positional changes required once the match is underway while he is concentrating on his job of trying to get past the Gully defence.

Croatia has aerial superiority at the back but Gully doesn't play the high ball into the area in any case and Paul Lewis has proved already he has the pace to outstrip Croatia's defenders if and when the opportunity arises.

Territorially, I believe the match will hinge on the midfield battle and this is where Croatia has made my choice very difficult as it has the busy quartet of Antolovic, Faulkner, Biskic and Gojevic to cope with the experience of Boyle, Vassallo and Williams.

But while I'm tipping Gully for a win, my main concern is that the two sides forget the niggling and the friction that has been there in past encounters, and get on with it to provide a thoroughly entertaining game worthy of a prestigious cup final.

Metro, Prov. and Amateur Cups

METRO LEAGUE CUP
Semi-finals: Nunawading City 1 (Leslie) Royal Richmond 0; Knox City 2 (Gerish, House) Thomastown 2.
Final: Nunawading City v. Knox City at Croydon Park, this Saturday, kick-off 3pm.

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE SENIORS CUP
Deferred quarter-final: University of Melbourne 1 Bororo 0.
Semi-finals double header: Springvale Utd v. Cheltenham; University of Melbourne v. Mordialloc-Clarinda at Heidelberg-Bundoora's ground, this Saturday, first game at 1pm.

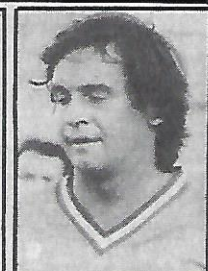
PROVISIONAL LEAGUE RESERVES CUP
Semi-finals: East Brunswick 0 Yarraville 1; Brunswick City 3 Berwick City 0. Final to be played on Saturday, October 15.

ARMSTRONG CUP
Quarter-finals, this Saturday, 3 pm: Northcote v. Waverley City; Croatia v. Ajax; Knox City v. Thomastown; Juventus v. Greensborough.

AMATEUR LEAGUE SENIORS CUP
Results: Balwyn City 2 Mulgrave 1; North Melbourne 2 Latrobe Uni 3; Vermont 3 South Parkmore 4; Bundoora 0 Melbourne Uni 1; Phillip Utd 1 Postal Institute 0; Epping Thistle 5 West Utd 1; Westall 4 Macca 2.

Quarter-finals, this Sunday, 3pm: Balwyn City v. Ascot Vale City; Latrobe Uni v. Westall; South Parkmore v. Epping Thistle; Phillip Utd v. Melbourne Uni.

AMATEUR LEAGUE RESERVES CUP
Results: Latrobe Uni 6 South Parkmore 5; Balwyn City 4 Endeavour Hills 2; Melbourne Uni v. Chadstone, walkover to Chadstone; North Melbourne 1 Vermont 5; Postal Institute 0 Mulgrave 2; Ascot Vale City 4 Bundoora 0; Macca 4 Phillip Utd 0; West Utd v. RMIT, walkover to West Utd.
Quarter-finals, this Sunday: Latrobe Uni v. West Utd at 1pm; Balwyn City v. Macca 1pm; Chadstone v. Ascot Vale City at 3pm; Vermont v. Mulgrave at 3pm.



MacLean to move?

Morwell Falcons may lose their best midfielder, Jim MacLean, (pictured, above) the former Brisbane Lions star who joined the Latrobe Valley club this season.

MacLean's contract expires later this year and he reportedly is uncertain of his future with Falcons.

The talented 23 year old Scot has played with Sunderland, Morton, Danish club FC Randers, Brisbane Lions and Brisbane Olympic. Falcons paid Olympic \$2,500 for MacLean's transfer.

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1972: no competition
1973: George Cross 3 Hellenes 0
1974: JUST 2 Alexander 1
1975: JUST 1 Mooroolbark 1, JUST won 5-0 on penalties
1976: JUST 2 Hellenes 1
1977: George Cross 2 Slavia 1
1978: Croatia 3 George Cross 2
1979: Croatia 2 Mahoning 1
1980: Croatia 1 Mahoning 0
1981: Croatia 2 Duxton 1
1982: Ajax 3 Morwell Falcons 0

Whistle stops

It was the end of the road for West German referee Jan Redells when he controlled the Wales versus Brazil International at Cardiff. Redells, 47, has now retired.

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Keep your cool George, Cannell has last laugh

GREEN GULLY AJAX 1 (Cannell 70th) JUVENTUS 0. State League Cup semi-final at Olympic Park No. 1, Sunday, second game of a double header. Crowd: about 2500. Referee: Mellings 3.

GREEN GULLY AJAX: Danya 7 - Peter Lewis 6, Short 7, Cannell 7, Hoggan 8 - Vassallo 6 (Mancini 8th), Doyle 8, Williams 8 - Toal 7, Smallman 7, Paul Lewis 7. **Coach:** David Smallman.

JUVENTUS: Clayton 7 - V. Bannan 7, P. Bannan 7, Drinocky 7, Hird 8 - G. Bannan 8 (Swincock 8th), Rogers 6, Incantabile 8 - Lloyd 7, French 7, Nelson 7 (Zinni 70th). **Coach:** John Margaritis.

VSF secretary George Wallace made two blunders prior to the kick-off to this clash. His first was to wear a green suit. His second was deciding to present Green Gully Ajax with its championship cup. Neither action endeared him to either Juventus or Croatia fans. Subsequently, Wallace was drowned out as he tried to make a speech and gave up after four or five attempts.

His final words were a sarcastic comment at the behaviour of the hecklers, not a move mentioned in the manual outlining the sociology of crowd behaviour. He just caused the noise to increase. It was all a bit of a giggle in the end. He was the VSF secretary, refusing to go ahead with his speech until everyone stopped yelling. And every time Wallace opened with his familiar "Ladies and gentlemen", the booing got louder.

Dear George, I'm no expert in such public matters, but if there ever is a next time, just say what you have to say. Make it short and sweet. Don't let everyone see that you've got flustered. You still could be heard from where I was sitting.

ting in the grandstand, in spite of the din. And when it became obvious that the hecklers were getting to you, it seemed to give them renewed vigor and far louder voice.

There were, of course, two main reasons for the yelling. Green Gully Ajax has earned the reputation, among opposition fans, of being a dirty team. The other reason is that most working class folk have a deep seated resentment of authority and right at that moment, a man wearing a green suit, holding a microphone in his hand, was a prime target for such resentment. State League chairman Vito Ciauro saw the funny side of it all. Before Ajax captain Peter Lewis ran up to the dias to accept the championship trophy, Ciauro picked up the cup and held it up to the Juventus fans, causing the jeers to turn into cheers, for a few seconds anyway.

Then it was down to business. This match had been billed as a slogging affair. It was.

There was enough off-the-ball, indeed, enough on-the-ball clashes to whet the appetite of any old pug. Most of these incidents occurred close to referee Stuart Mellings who managed to maintain a mystifying reluctance to punish offenders. But Mellings never could be called reticent. On the contrary, time and again his communicative skills were put to good use while yellow and red cards lay idle, perched snugly in the pocket of his referee's uniform.

All I'm saying here, is that

this was a dirty game in parts. There was some good football played too. By both teams.

Juventus really missed Andrew Zinni's pace up front. Billy Rogers twice intercepted poor passes early on from out of Gully's back four. The Juventus midfielder was inside the attacking half of the field with Gully pushing up from the back and stretched, yet he never was given the option of playing a through ball. That's because Graham French, Kevin Lloyd and Jim Nelson, fine players though they may be, had no chance of outpacing the Gully defence.

Ajax left back David Hoggan had a great second half. What a fine player he's developed into. He gets forward well, his disposal has improved, and his recovery is outstanding.

His opposite number, Harry Hird, was as cool as ever. I only can remember Hird being clearly beaten once in this game. And when Juventus was facing defeat, Hird charged upfield a couple of times, in possession, laid off the ball well only to watch team mates either give the ball away with poor disposal, or be dispossessed.

Lou Denys, the Ajax goalkeeper, made just two important saves in the entire match. The first was in the 10th minute when Lloyd's attempted cross swung in precariously close to the top far corner until Denys readjusted his positioning and tipped the ball over. The second was in the 76th minute when Rogers knocked the ball on to French, clear on the left of the Ajax

area. French's volley was well parried by Denys and the ball was cleared.

The goal that counted was scored in the 70th minute. Jim Williams, one of Ajax's best (I've seen him eight times this year and he's played well every time) sent over a corner to the far post. Peter Lewis won the ball in the air and it fell in between French and Cannell. French seemed more intent on playing the man than the ball and Cannell reacted effectively, striking a first time shot into goal for what was to be a winner.

Zinni finally appeared, despite his shoulder injury, straight after Cannell had scored, but made no impression on the match.

There's no denying Ajax's ability to win vital games.

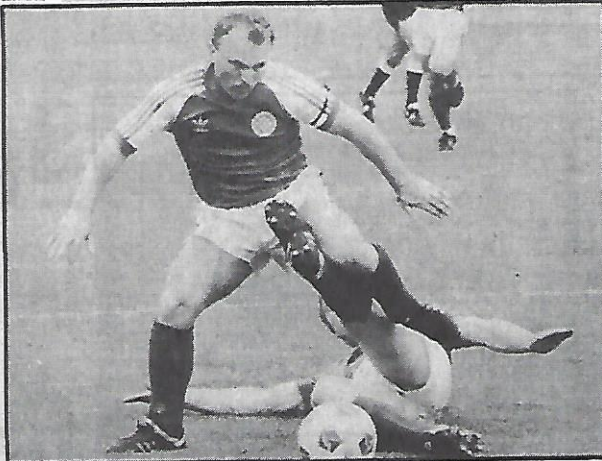
That, of course, is the hallmark of champions.

Finally, a word about referees. I've had a go at Stuart Mellings, in this match report, I don't think unfairly, but I'm prepared to stand corrected. The pity of it all is that you only ever seem to read about disappointing refereeing displays. Rarely do you read glowing reports of outstanding refereeing.

That's sad, but it perhaps is a problem inherent in the nature of the job. Most outstanding exhibitions of refereeing involve the official in question being amazingly unobtrusive. That's the problem. Get into the act and you get noticed, seems to be the prime prerequisite for publicity.

Incidentally, I think Mellings is a good referee.

— CRAIG MACKENZIE



Croatia player-coach Tommy Cumming keeps his eyes on the ball in spite of a fearsome sliding tackle from Croydon sweeper Steve Marley at Olympic Park last Sunday. Picture by LES SHORROCK.

Now it's coach Cumming

MELBOURNE CROATIA 3 (Antolovic 55th, Gojevic 73rd, Brogan 86th) CROYDON 2 (G. Macleod 82nd, Sweeney 87th). State League Cup semi-final at Olympic Park No. 1, Sunday, first game of a double header. Crowd: about 2,500. Referee: Venios 7.

MELBOURNE CROATIA: Blasby 6 - Curcio 7, Adams 8, Parton 7, Venios 7 - Biskic 6, Antolovic 7, Faulkner 8, Gojevic 7 - Cumming 7, Brogan 7. **Coach:** Tommy Cumming.

CROYDON: Kastner 4 - Rainey 6, Marley 7, Dobson 8, Hobson 6 - Brown 5, Rooney 6, Wade 7 - Irvine 6, G. Macleod 6, I. Loughname 6 (Sweeney 50th). **Coach:** Ted Dilworth.

Right now, Tommy Cumming has the best coaching record in Victoria, perhaps even in Australia.

The little striker, looking forward to regaining his national team spot next year, took over the coaching reins at Croatia when John Gardiner was sacked last week, and after just one game in charge, his team has reached a cup final.

Croydon, Croatia's opponent last weekend, turned in a disappointing display, not just from the point of view of losing but also because it missed a great chance to really stretch its claim for inclusion in the National League.

Croydon coach Ted Dilworth chose to play Jimmy Rooney and Ian Dobson despite injury worries and left his other injured star, striker Joe Sweeney, on the bench until the 60th minute with Croatia 1-0 up. Sweeney has been plagued recently by a knee injury.

It's just as well that Dilworth decided to use Dobson, for this time stopper was my pick as Croydon's best. He's strong in the challenge, both on the ground and in the air, reads play well, passes accurately and never seems to get rattled. He's definite NSL material.

Rooney buzzed about in mid-field now and again but it must be disconcerting to the former Soccerco great to be getting so easily dispossessed. On one such occasion, late in the game, he was robbed, just as Steve Gojevic, resulting in a Croatia goal. In Rooney's defence though, fellow Croydon veteran, goalkeeper Lou Kastner, was beaten by Gojevic's low 18 metre shot into the near corner when the former George Cross and Preston Macedonia keeper should have done far better in trying to not only cover the angle but get down quickly enough to block Gojevic's drive. To be fair to Kastner, bad days in goal are a rarity.

Croatia picked Croydon inside the latter's defensive

half for long stretches of the first 30 minutes. It only was in the last 15 minutes of the first half that Steve Irvine and Paul Wade found space inside Croatia's penalty area.

The second half was 10 minutes old when the deadlock was broken. A superb long ball sent Cumming down the left. He checked back, came inside a defender then squared the ball. Jozo Antolovic had time to pick his spot yet still slammed his 10 metre shot straight at Kastner. The Croydon goalie parried the ball back out to Antolovic who scored at the second try with a low shot.

Not long after, a great run by Tony Curcio ended with a Gary Hobson challenge which had the Croatia fans screaming for a penalty. Referee Evan Venios waved play on.

Irvine failed to control a Rainey pass in the 61st minute. The lanky Croydon striker was just 10 metres out with no Croatia defender in sight.

Mike Rainey was forced to clear off his own goal line in the 67th minute from a cheeky backheel by Cumming following an Antolovic volley.

Croatia went 2-0 up in the 73rd minute. Gojevic robbed Rooney, ran 30 metres toward goal with Brogan running wide, taking a defender with him and leaving a huge hole for Gojevic to go into and shoot low past Kastner.

Sean Parton and Croatia's best, Josip Biskic, got mixed up when going for a long, lofted ball toward Croydon's left wing. Both Croatia players missed the ball completely, which fell at the feet of G. Macleod. The Croydon striker could have carried the ball closer to goal in an attempt to draw Blasby off the line. Macleod also could have blasted the ball from 15 metres out. However, he chose another option,

producing an absolute gem of a goal with a skilful, curled shot into the top far corner which left Blasby groping at air.

There were eight minutes left. Suddenly, Croatia no longer was coasting.

But four minutes later, David Brogan left his stamp of class on the match with the goal of a true artisan. Cumming heads the ball to Biskic, wide near the right side of the halfway line. Biskic sees Brogan making a diagonal run into space up ahead and plays a well weighted ball which lands at Brogan's feet. Only Ian Dobson is goal side of Brogan. With nothing to lose, Croydon had pushed Steve Marley forward and was about to pay dearly for playing without cover at the back.

In a flash, Brogan has turned inside Dobson, leaving the Croydon stopper on the ground. Kastner comes out of goal but Brogan always is going to reach the ball first and just as Kastner spreads himself, Brogan cheekily clips it over the Croydon keeper's arms into the unguarded goal.

A minute later the score is 3-2 after a crazy Croydon goal. Hobson takes a long throw-in from the left which Sweeney heads on. Parton is standing next to the near post with Blasby next to him. At the last moment, Parton lets the ball go. It strikes Blasby's legs and goes into goal, but there's not enough time left for Croydon to shock Croatia again.

Croatia deserved its win. Make no mistake about that. It created more chances, did well in midfield where Jeff Faulkner in the centre and Biskic out wide dominated, and apart from two dreadful defensive blunders, was more composed at the back.

— CRAIG MACKENZIE

TIM, TIM

Here I go getting publicity again but believe me, it's not my fault and I don't particularly care for it.

Mr Tim White, who incidentally writes a regular column in this paper with his picture prominently displayed, complained recently in his column that Tony Vrztina is a publicity seeker and gets coaching jobs because of it. Does Mr White really think that my club, Northcote, is stupid enough to believe that publicity officers can get the results a coach can get?

I admit that I've always been publicity minded and I

try to ensure that my club and its players, regardless of whether they are Europeans or British or otherwise, enjoy good press coverage but I have never, repeat, never asked for publicity for myself, with the exception of this article in answer to some claims made by Mr White who supposedly believes in defending his fellow members of the coaching fraternity.

Where are you Tim, during the Rale Rasic saga earlier

By TONY VRZINA,
coach of
Northcote City

this year? Your reticence makes it clear which side you were on during that upheaval at South Melbourne Hellas.

It's a sad secret to know that a lot of players have been told to openly reject continental coaches and to support British coaches in the past few years.

I have nothing whatsoever against Johnny Gardiner and I honestly sympathise with him over recent events but I strongly object to the fashion in which Mr White made comparisons between me and John.

I was responsible in the first place for bringing John Gardiner to Croatia and under me he enjoyed so much publicity that Hellas bought him because of what they read in the newspapers.

Some reporters last month wrote that I was after John's job. At the time John was coaching Croatia I completely reject the rubbish that was written on this matter.

I will be only too happy to stay with Northcote next year but the simple fact is that Northcote and I have yet to discuss the matter. The publicity saying that I was offered jobs from other clubs didn't make me any more popular at Northcote, I can assure you of that.

Tim White is a senior soccer figure in this state. As director of coaching for Victoria he's not paid to take sides in any matters and how the hell he could make comparisons by looking at ladders depicting the results of Croatia's and Northcote's firsts and reserves teams is beyond me. Why didn't Mr White point out that I built a side at Northcote for just \$17,000? That's at least \$3,000 less than the current market value of Croatia's Tommy Cumming!

Apparently, our director of coaching is blind to the class difference between Croatia and Northcote. His article was like drawing comparisons between a racing driver in an Alfa Romeo competing against a driver in a Mini.

I know far better than Mr White that most of Croatia's success is due to its fanatical supporters, not any coach. Having such strong support always has allowed Croatia to pour a lot of money into its team and that's why so many Croatia players have been in the state team over the past few years and that's why the club has been so successful. A Croatia fan once said to me: We don't need a coach who will make our team great, we need a coach who won't spoil it."

Northcote's aim this year was to finish above the relegation zone and we did even better than that.

It's sad to see our director of coaching, a man of ability, making comparisons the way Mr White did recently in his article. I don't worry, Tim, I'll still say "hello" to you the next time we meet and if you've got nothing against me, no doubt you'll return the greeting.

Giresse

Alain Giresse, the French World Cup star, has signed a new three-year contract with Bordeaux which ties him to the club until he is 33.

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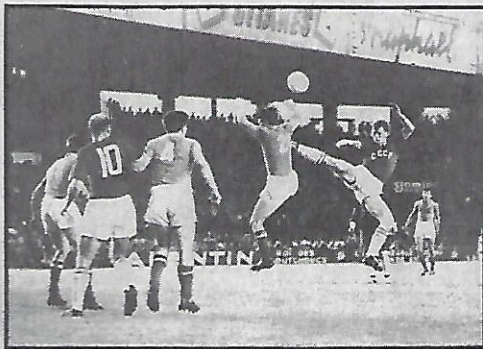
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The European Championship



The Soviet Union (darker shirts) on the attack in the final against Yugoslavia. USSR won 2-1 to take out the first Nations' Cup.

FIRST EUROPEAN NATIONS CUP, 1958-60

PRELIMINARY ROUND

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FIRST ROUND

France Greece 7-1, 1-1
USSR Hungary 3-1, 1-0
Romania Turkey 3-0, 0-2
Yugoslavia Bulgaria 2-0, 1-1
Portugal W Germany 2-0, 3-2
Denmark Cwika 2-2, 1-5
Spain Poland 4-2, 3-0

QUARTER-FINALS

USSR Spain w/o
Portugal Yugoslavia 2-1, 1-5
Romania Cwika 0-2, 0-3
France Austria 5-2, 4-2

SEMI-FINALS

Yugoslavia France 5-4

USSR Cwika 3-0

MATCH FOR THIRD PLACE

Cwika France 2-0

FINAL

Parc des Princes, Paris 18,000

July 10, 1960

USSR Yugoslavia 2-1 (0-1) after extra time. (Neto og, Metreveli, Pospelov)

USSR Yashin, Tchelak, Maslennik, Kretkov, Vosnov, Nets, Metreveli, Ivanov, Pospelov, Dubovik, Meshki

YUGOSLAVIA Vidinic, Durkovic, Mladinovic, Josip, Zanic, Perusic, Sekulac, Galic, Matich, Keric

Referee: Ellis (England)

The European Football Championship, whose original name was the Nations' Cup, was devised in France by the sports magazine 'L'Equipe.'

Henri Delaunay, secretary of the French Football Association originated the tournament in the latter fifties so that Europe might have an international competition to 'fill the gap' between one World Cup and another.

The four-yearly competition was to be run on a straight knock-out basis right to the final, with the final phase the two semis, the third place play-off and the final—to be played in one country.

The first finals took place in Paris and Marseilles. Only 18 teams bothered to take part in the inaugural tournament, notable absentees being Italy and the British countries.

Three months after the end of the sixth World Cup in Sweden in 1958, the Nations' Cup got off the ground with a superb first round tie between the USSR and Hungary.

The Soviet Union, parading such gifted footballers as goalkeeper Yashin, centre-back Neto, schemer Ivanov and striker Metreveli, beat their Magyar rivals on a 4-1 aggregate, winning both in Moscow and in Budapest.

Yugoslavia's two young forwards, Galic and the temperamental Sekulac, were largely responsible for their team's 3-1 aggregate win over Bulgaria.

Politics emerged ominously for the first time in the competition when Spain was drawn against USSR in the quarter-finals.

Spain was forced to concede a walk-over because the Spanish government refused to grant the Spaniards a visa to enter Moscow, presumably due to Soviet involvement in the Spanish Civil War 25 years earlier!

The skilful French, who did so well in outstanding form as he helped the

to the semis scoring nine times against Austria while Yugoslavia pushed Portugal 5-1 after losing 2-1 in Lisbon.

Czechoslovakia was the other semi-finalist after beating Rumania comfortably.

The final series was held in the month of July and, not surprisingly, attendances were poor.

The weather was too hot and the visiting three semi-finalists were Communist countries, hardly the teams which travel with hordes of supporters.

The French were dealt a savage blow on the eve of their semi-final against Yugoslavia when their World Cup heroes Kopa, Fontaine and Plancon were forced to miss the match due to injury.

In a superb match at the Parc des Princes, the French led the Slavs till late in the game when the visitors scored three times in three minutes to run out 5-4 winners. In the other semi down south in Marseilles, Yashin was the

USSR breeze through to the final with a 3-0 win over Czechoslovakia.

The Czechs then defeated France 2-0 in Marseilles to take out third place with goals from Bubernik and Pavlovik.

An 18,000 crowd turned up at the Parc des Princes in Paris to watch the first Nations' Cup final between the USSR and Yugoslavia.

The Soviets were tough, well organised and supremely fit; the Slavs probably had more flair in attack but inconsistency was their drawback.

The Slavs attacked Yashin's goal without respite in the first half and deservedly took the lead when a shot from Galic was deflected into the net by defender Neto. But the Soviets came back strongly after the interval and managed to draw level with a goal by right winger Metreveli.

The match went into extra time and the physically-superior Soviets clinched the winner with a goal from the young Pospelov, destined to wear the red Soviet jersey for many years.

ITALIANS TOO ROUGH, SAY ZICO, FALCAO

Brazilian star Zico bitterly protested increasingly rough play being mounted against him by Italian defenders and said he might suffer serious injury if Italian referees and linesmen do not curb violence in Italian stadiums.

Accusations of rough play against Italian defenders were also launched by Brazilian midfielder Paulo Roberto Falcao and by young Danish striker Michael Laudrup.

Zico, who transferred to Udinese from Flamengo for a record \$4.5 million, made his debut in the Italian championship this month, scoring five goals in three matches.

However his qualities have motivated opponents and Zico was kicked, pulled by the jersey, and even punched in the face in a recent match against Avellino, which Udinese lost 1-2 despite the good showing of its Brazilian ace.

The Italian press lamented Zico's ill-treatment in the past few days and the player himself thundered his indignation in interviews with 'Gazzetta dello Sport' of Milan and 'Corriere dello Sport' of Rome.

"I am increasingly afraid of ending the same way as Maradona, a result of the increasingly rough play of Italian defenders," Zico was quoted as saying in 'Corriere dello Sport'.

ANGEL LABRUNA DIES

By PAUL MOON

Angel Labruna, one of the most influential figures in Argentine soccer over the past 40 years, has died of a heart attack at the age of 61.

A wily and gifted inside left, who could make and take goals with equal proficiency, Labruna accumulated 514 senior appearances in 20 years for River Plate and figured in no fewer than nine Argentine championship-winning teams during that period.

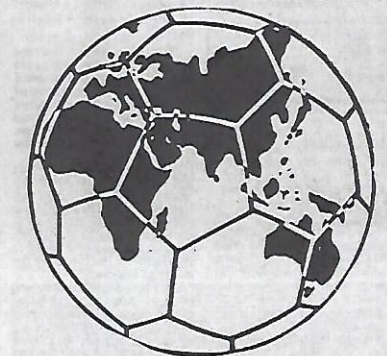
He was a member of River's famed forward line, known as 'La Maquina'—the machine—which terrorised defences throughout South America in the 1940s and early 1950s.

Labruna scored almost 500 goals for the club including a record 16 against deadly rivals Boca Juniors in 'classic' encounters.

He made less impact on the international scene, largely due to the Second World War and Argentina's self-imposed exile from world soccer in the early 1950s, as an act of pique after being denied the opportunity to host the Mundial which went to Brazil.

Nonetheless, Labruna earned 36 caps, the last as a 40-year-old.

His one taste of World Cup



SOCCER AROUND THE WORLD



Angel Labruna

A vast spending spree brought seven new players to River Plate and they formed the backbone of a side which not only won matches, but played attractive soccer, bringing back spectators in droves.

Yet, ironically, it was 'River's' youth team which finally secured the elusive championship—all Argentina's professional players having gone on strike during the last two weekends of the 1975 season.

For the next five years, River Plate was the major force of Argentinian soccer. In 1980, it claimed its fourth championship in six campaigns and, amazingly, at this point Labruna had been involved in 13 of the 16 titles gained in its history.

The record would have been even more impressive had it not been for the club's obsession with winning the Copa Libertadores. On many occasions River Plate had fielded reserve sides in domestic games in order to rest its senior players for matches in South America's premier club competition.

Yet another Copa Libertadores failure, this time in the 1981 version, led to Labruna's dismissal in favor of Alfredo Di Stefano.

Although given the opportunity to be 'kicked upstairs', into the position of director of River's football department, Labruna preferred to remain in coaching, returning to Talleres Cordoba.

At the time of his death, he was in charge of Argentinos Juniors—having just guided them to the Argentinian National Championship semi final, with a team comprised largely of River Plate rejects, like himself.

GREEKS FORM THROUGH BIT YUGOS CRASH

Greek giants Olympiakos and PAOK Salonika advanced to the second round of the European competitions, while Red Star Belgrade and Dinamo Zagreb both bombed out.

Olympiakos beat Ajax of Holland 2-0 in the Champions Cup—one of Olympiakos's greatest European triumphs.

PAOK advanced against Lokomotiv Plovdiv of Bulgaria 5-1 on aggregate.

The European Football Union (UEFA) has decided that the European Cup final next May 30 will be played in Rome and the Cup Winners' Cup final on May 16 in Basle, Switzerland.

Liverpool's Kenny Dalglish, 32, the most capped Scot of all time, claimed another record by becoming the top British marksman in European Cup history.

Dalglish started the night with 13 goals in the competition with Liverpool and Glasgow Celtic, one behind fellow-Scot Denis Law, and took his tally to 15 with two typical flashes of opportunism against Odense of Denmark.

Italian league leader Roma travelled to Gothenburg in Sweden defending a 3-0 lead and emerged 4-2 victors on aggregate over the 1982 European Football Union (UEFA) Cup winners.

CHAMPIONS CUP

1.F.K. GOTHENBURG (Sweden) 2 A.S. ROMA (Italy) 4-2 on aggregate
STANDARD LIEGE (Belgium) 0 ATHLONE TOWN (Ireland) 2, STANDARD win 11-4
OLYMPIAKOS (Greece) 2 AJAX (Netherlands) 0 after extra time, OLYMPIAKOS win 2-0
BOHEMIANS PRAGUE 4 (Czech) FENERBAHGE (Turkey) 0, PRAGUE win 6-0
F.C. NANTES (France) 3 RAPID VIENNA 1, VIENNA win 4-3
LIVERPOOL (England) 5 ODENSE B.K. (Denmark) 0
LIFNIF (Northern Ireland) 2 BENFICA LISBON 3, BENFICA win 6-2
JEUDESSE ESCH (Luxembourg) 0 DYNAMO BERLIN (East Germany) 2, DYNAMO Berlin win 6-1
VIKING STAVANGER (Norway) 0 PARTIZAN BELGRADE 6, PARTIZAN win 5-1
DINAMO BUCHAREST (Romania) 3 KUEYSYI LAHTI (Finland) 0, BUCHAREST win 4-0
DUNDEE UNITED (Scotland) 3 HAMRUR SPARTANS (Malta) 0, UNITED win 6-0
GRASSHOPPERS ZURICH (Switzerland) 2 DINAMO MINSK (USSR) 2, MINSK win 3-2
OFK NIS (Yugoslavia) 0 RABA ETO (Hungary) 2, RABA win 4-1
ATHLETIC BILBAO (Spain) 4 LECH POZNAN (Poland) 0, BILBAO win 4-2
OFK NIS (Yugoslavia) 0 RABA ETO (Hungary) 2, RABA win 4-1
SOFIA win on away goals (4-4 aggregate)

CUP WINNERS CUP

DUKA PRAGUE (Czech) 2 MANCHESTER UNITED (England) 2, UNITED win on away goals, 3-3 aggregate
FENIR BEGGEN (Luxembourg) 1 SERVETTE GENEVA (Switzerland) 5, SERVETTE win 9-1
ABERDEEN (Scotland) 1 AKRANES (Iceland) 1, ABERDEEN win 3-2
COLOGNE (West Germany) 7 SSW INNSBRUCK (Austria) 1, COLOGNE win 7-2
SPARTAK VARNA (Bulgaria) 2 JUVENTUS (Italy) 3, JUVENTUS win 10-2
SK BEVEREN (Belgium) 3 PARALIMNI FAMAGUSTA (Cyprus) 1, BEVEREN win 7-3
SPARTAK VARNA (Bulgaria) 1 MERSIN IVK (Turkey) 0, VARNA win 1-0

BRANN BERGEN (Norway) 0 NEC NIJMEGEN (Netherlands) 1, NIJMEGEN win 2-1
GLASGOW RANGERS (Scotland) 10 VALETTA (Malta) 0, RANGERS win 18-0
UPEST DOSZA (Hungary) 4 AEK ATHENS (Greece) 1, UPEST win 4-2
VALKEAKOSKEN HAKA (Finland) 3 SLIGO ROVERS (Ireland) 0, HAKA win 4-0
SHAKHTYOR DONETSK (USSR) 4 NYKOSING (Denmark) 2, DONETSK win 9-3
NENTORI TIRANA (Albania) 2 HAMMARBY (Sweden) 1, HAMMARBY win 5-2
PARIS SG 2 GLENTORAN (N. Ireland) 1, PARIS win 4-2
BARCELONA (Spain) 2 MAGDEBURG (East Germany) 0, BARCELONA win 7-1
PORTO (Portugal) 1 DINAMO ZAGREB (Yugoslavia) 0, PORTO win on away goals, 2-2 aggregate

UEFA CUP

ANTWERP (Belgium) 4 ZURICH (Switz) 2, ANTWERP win 6-3
ST GALLEN (Switzerland) 1 RADNICKI NIS (Yugoslavia) 2, NIS win 5-1
INTER BRATISLAVA (Czech) 6 RABAT AJAX (Morocco) 0, INTER win 6-0
ASTON VILLA (England) 5 GUIMARAES (Portugal) 0, VILLA win 5-1
REAL MANTUA (Italy) 1 SPARTA PRAGUE 1, SPARTA win 4-3
COLERAINE (Ireland) 1 SPARTA ROTTERDAM 1, SPARTA win 5-1
1903 COPENHAGEN 1 BANIK OSTRAVA 1, BANIK win 8-1
AUSTRIA VIENNA 10 ARIS BONNEVOIE (Luxembourg) 0, AUSTRIA win 15-0
FERENCVAROS (Hungary) 0 PSV EINDHOVEN (Netherlands) 2, PSV win 6-2
WATFORD (England) 3 KAISERSLAUTERN (West Germany) 0, WATFORD win 4-3
RED STAR BELGRADE 2 VERONA (Italy) 3, VERONA win 4-2
GRONINGEN (Netherlands) 3 ATHLETICO MADRID 0, GRONINGEN win 4-2
HONVED BUDAPEST 3 LARISSA (Greece) 2, HONVED win 3-2
ELFSBORO (Sweden) 2, WIDZEW LODZ (Poland) 2, WIDZEW win on away goals, 2-2 aggregate
CARL ZEHLNIKA (Czech) 0 BAYER W 11-0
TMANNAYEAR (Iceland) 0, JENA win 3-0
HJK HELSINKI 1 SPARTAK MOSCOW 5, SPARTAK win 7-0
UENS (France) 2 LA GANTOISE (Belgium) 1 after extra time, UENS win 3-2
ANDERLECHT (Belgium) 1 BYRNE IL (Norway) 1, ANDERLECHT win 4-1
VORWAERTS KRAFKURT (East Germany) 0 NOTTINGHAM FOREST (England) 1, FOREST win 3-0
AGF AARHUS (Denmark) 1 CELTIC (Scotland) 4, CELTIC win 5-1
LAVAL (France) 1 DYNAMO KIEV (USSR) 0, LAVAL win 2-1
MALMO FF (Sweden) 1 WERDER BREMEN (West Germany) 2, BREMEN win 3-2
TOTENHAM (England) 6 DROGHEDA UNITED (Ireland) 0, TOTENHAM win 14-0
FEYENOORD ROTTERDAM 2 ST. MIRREN (Scotland) 0, FEYENOORD win 2-0
LOKOMOTIV LEIPZIG (East Germany) 4 BORDEAUX (France) 0, LEIPZIG win 7-2
BAYERN MUNICH (West Germany) 10 ANORTOS LARACIA (Cyprus) 0, BAYERN win 11-0
STURM GRAZ (Austria) 0 SPORTEL STUDENT-ESCH BUCHAREST 0 GRAZ win 2-1
PAOK SALONIKA (Greece) 3 LOKOMOTIV PLOVDIV (Bulgaria) 1, BALONIKA win 5-1
LEVSKI SPARTAK SOFIA 1 VFB STUTTGART (West Germany) 0, SOFIA win 2-1
HAIJDUK SPILT (Yugoslavia) 1 UNIVERSITATE CRAIOVA (Romania) 0 after extra time, SPILT win on penalties
TITZER MILAN (Italy) 2 TRABZONSPOR (Turkey) 0, INTER win 2-1
SPORTING LISBON 3 SEVILLE 2, SPORTING win 4-3

MOORE FOR THE ISL IN 1984?

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Steve Moore just has completed his first year back in the Victorian State League since 1976 and capped a memorable season by winning our Ametco Travel State League Player of the Year award, a return trip to the country of his choice in Europe, flying Thai International Airlines.

Moore won the award by the convincing margin of six votes but has yet to come to terms with the sudden press attention focused on him in 1983.

"When you told me that you were going to interview me, I asked a pal of mine, Frank Campbell, what I should say. I'm a bit of a shy boy, you know," said Moore.

He spent three years as a semi-professional with Everton as a youth. He had a job and trained twice a week. One of the highlights of his time there was playing against Manchester United in the F.A. Youth Cup, even though United won. At Everton, Moore met Gerry Bennett, the former Ajax and South Melbourne Hellas player, now captain of Sunshine-George Cross.

Moore was a left back at Everton but was released after being told that he was too slow. He played non-league football with South Liverpool, winning the Lancashire Youth Cup two years running. His team mates at South Liverpool included Jim Tansey (Heidelberg player-coach), Steve McCombe (Croydon),



Con Kiakos wins medal

Con Kiakos (pictured) of South Oakleigh has won the Victorian Weinstein Medal for the Junior Player of the Year.

Con joined South Oakleigh at the age of 11, had one season with Hellas and then returned to South Oakleigh.

He has represented Victoria in age groups U13s through to U18s. Con was a prominent member of the successful Victorian U18s Youth Team, who are the current Australian Youth Champions.

It is indicative of the ability of Con that he has also won a senior award by being voted the "best and fairest" player for 1983 in Division III of the Metropolitan League.

The Weinstein Medal carries with it a scholarship of \$100.00.

Dave Webb (Prahran City) and Dave Rigby (ex-Mooroolbark, Adelaide City, Hakoah Melbourne and George Cross).

Moore jumped on board Slavia's "cattleboat" bound for down under in 1975, along with John Cain, and arrived here mid-way through the 1975 State League season. Kaz Kowalec coached Slavia then but three weeks after Moore's arrival, John Sanchez, the former George Cross star, took over the coaching reins.

"Sanchez was very disciplined. The lads had a lot of respect for him but I think that he had a bit of a problem getting his points across. He was sacked just before the end of the season and Ken Kontra took over. Kontra was a pretty reasonable coach. He had a lot of good ideas on the game."

At the end of that 1975 season, the infamous Slavia players' strike took place with Moore embroiled in the drama. He was suspended by the VSF tribunal for nine months along with three team mates, for refusing to play against George Cross late in the season.

Moore was homesick and returned to England, missing the entire 1976 season. When he re-joined Slavia, early in 1977, he was given an ultimatum.

"I was told by a high ranking Slavia official, that I had to transfer to Western Suburbs. He said that if I refused, Slavia would make damn sure that I didn't kick a ball in Victoria ever again," said Moore.

Suburbs paid Slavia \$3000 and Moore played his first season in the Metropolitan First Division with the new club in 1977. With the exception of a one year stay in England due to visa problems in 1980, Moore stayed with Suburbs until early this year when he joined Northcote.

"Just about every year I was with Suburbs I wanted to move to another club but there was too much money put on my head. When Preston wanted to sign me in 1978, Suburbs asked for \$6,000. I went to the Appeals Board which took the price down to \$4,500 but that was still too much. Suburbs only paid \$3,000 for me."

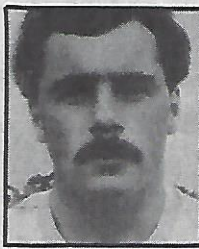
"I suppose you could say that I kept playing at Suburb to get my maximum down and when I joined Northcote this year it was for a maximum transfer fee of \$2,500."

Moore's first coach at Western Suburbs was current Northcote coach Vrzina.

"Tony's a good coach, especially when it comes to organising things. The players at Northcote have a lot of respect for him. He's done a great job this year, you know. He's bought about seven new players and achieved his aim of consolidating the club in State League."

And Moore has achieved his aim of proving to himself and others that he can play in this standard.

"I joined Northcote because they were the only club interested in me at the time. I'd heard stories that Northcote



Steve Moore

was in a bit of financial trouble previously but that's certainly not the case any more. The club needs to buy players if it hopes to win State League next year but make no mistake, the money is there. I've heard talk about some of the players they're interested in and I've said to them that these players will cost a fair bit of money but they're not in the least bit worried. They say that they've got the money. If money is going to determine whether or not Northcote does well next year, then the club is in for an outstanding season."

But finances may not be the secret to Northcote's success. Holding onto its core of good players, especially Moore, may be the key to the club's fortunes in 1984.

"I'd like to play in the National League. What player wouldn't? And like every player, I'd like to get into the state team. If you don't aim for these things, then you're wasting your time."

Moore's contract with Northcote expires on November 30 this year and it has a maximum transfer fee of \$2,500 stipulated in it. He's proven his ability at State League standard and at just 27 years old is close to his peak as a player. He's capable of playing in the NSL, make no mistake about that. Whether he does so next year or not may be decided by talks he'll hold with Northcote early this December.

Moore's earlier visa problems, while with Suburbs, are just a bad memory. He's a permanent resident now and married an Australian girl in October last year.

Whatever the outcome of his talks with Northcote, he's really looking forward to flying back to England for a holiday, his prize for being the Ametco Player of the Year.

"I'm really indebted to the people at Ametco for making this award available. It's a great incentive to all players and it's very important to the game," said Moore.

It's also the crowning achievement of an outstanding season for the talented midfielder or sweeper.

Thurlow honored

Doveton will play neighbour North Dandenong at Waratah Reserve this Sunday in a testimonial match for Peter Thurlow.

Thurlow, 25, has been with the Doves since his junior days. The stalwart defender or midfielder has been one of Doveton's most consistent and capable performers for many years.

The game kicks off at 3 pm. Admission is \$2.

Let's stand up for our rights

All GMH workers should band together in refusing to buy the "Herald" until it gives soccer a fair go on its back page.

The workers at Ford should put a similar ultimatum to "The Sun" or "The Age", in order to get the sort of publicity soccer deserves.

So says Mrs Maria Giacomantonio of Victorian club Waverley City.

Mrs Giacomantonio was moved to voice her opinions by Andrew Dettre's article in last week's "Soccer Action", headed: "Media sells yachting, but not soccer."

"It's we — the people inside soccer —

who must get off our backsides and make sure the game gets media exposure, but instead we amble along and do nothing," she said.

"If we went down to Olympic Park and filled it with 8000 people every weekend, I'm sure we'd get more newspaper space, but no, we stay at home."

"The Soccer Federation needs a good kick in the pants. Thousands of dollars are wasted all the time. Instead we should employ a few people capable of publishing the game, and letting everyone know what's going on."

"When the English team was here, we could have arranged for hundreds of boys to go along and watch them train, but of course no-one was told."

"But there is apathy right through the ranks. At my club, for example, we

couldn't find a single parent willing to be team manager of the under 18s. In fact, we have trouble finding someone to run the line."

"And only 128 people are coming to our presentation night. Our under 18 coach, Ian Chalmers, had to pay for a few tickets himself, so boys who have won trophies can come along and accept them, because their parents are too mean to pay."

Mrs Giacomantonio urged soccer people to get more involved and stand up for their rights with the media.

"If not, we'll continue to be trampled on by Australian Rules football, and our boys will suffer. If they suffer the top in their sport, they deserve a bit of back-page coverage — not a half inch that you can find only with a magnifying glass."

Let's stop the Hakoah bashing, which Sydney is Sydney?

IN FOCUS

by PETER SCOTT



I, like all football fans, have a team which is closer to my heart than most and it is Sydney Hakoah, or Sydney City if you prefer the ersatz version.

This does not mean, I hope, that I lose my objectivity when writing about our sport.

But it does mean that I am getting intensely annoyed at the preoccupation of the media, especially in Sydney, with Hakoah's crowds, or the lack of them.

The constant harping on this subject has gotten to the stage where it does nothing for what is the greatest soccer outfit Australia has ever seen, or quite likely ever will see, if we judge by results and performance over a 10 or even 20 year period.



ABOVE: Tasmanian Rothmans Medallist Liam Monagle (centre) of Ulverstone, with Tasmanian Premier Robin Gray (left) and the State manager of Rothmans, Mr. Wright. RIGHT: South Australia's 1983 Rothmans Medallist, Jan Kierni (fourth from left) of Polonia, with previous winners, from left: Adrian Santrac (Boagrad), Terry Hayes (Birkall), Wally Bojczuk (Azzurri), Garry Dooley (Boogard) and Bobby Tufts. Photo by FRANK HOBBS.

It also takes on the appearance of wish-fulfilment and outright "Hakoah-bashing" when closely observed.

Just think, dear reader, how much editorialising you see about the "crowds" which put in a desultory appearance at a number of other venues, say, Canberra, or Footscray, or Wollongong, and often even at Adamstown or a number of other venues.

Not to mention the two Brisbane clubs, whose crowds don't even rate a mention in the Monday classified results of the newspapers.

Just a reminder to some of my journalistic colleagues, if I may.

Blinkers were invented to be worn by horses, not human beings.

Pick a name

If you thought that the ASF's "policy" on club names was a cause for confusion since 1977, how about the next move in this never ending game of hide-and-seek?

It has been announced that under the edict which makes it mandatory for new clubs in the NSL to have district tags for the purposes of scorecards, fixture lists and the like (very important, that), we are about to be blessed by the presence of a team named Sydney.

No, dear readers, not Sydney City (alias the Silks, or Hakoah or whatever), but Croatia of the northern variety under another name.

The NSW version of Croatia has adopted, and had allegedly got approval for, "Sydney" as its district tag.

If we follow the twisted logic of what passes for decision-making in soccer, the 1984 NSL will boast of a Sydney City and a Sydney, side by side.

Wait and see

National coach Les Seimling has adopted a "wait and see" attitude regarding some of the players from the squad which took on, and matched, England earlier this year.

Seems that Joe Watson is one who falls in this category, with Les having announced that he "will look" at him.

Nothing wrong with that, especially if the National coach has been, as I'm sure he has, looking during the NSL season.

On the basis of his league performances Joe would probably be the first one to be picked when the squad is selected.

Back to front?

Our friends at the Australian Soccer Federation seem to have gotten things back to front again.

We have had a full time Soccer coach for some time now, during a period when



Joe Watson

there was no continuous activity on the senior national front.

Now, just when things are about to start hotting up worldwide, with the eliminations for the next World Cup looming ever larger on the horizon, we are about to switch back into the part-time mode.

If anything, you'd think things would have been done the other way around.

Olympic blunder

I am convinced that Australia's decision not to participate in the Olympic elimination series was a major blunder, which could even prove to be near fatal in the Mundial eliminations.

We missed a series of tough, competitive fixtures against many of the national sides which we are likely to come up against on the road to Mexico.

We also missed an excellent chance for a bit of international glory, with the "underdeveloped" soccer countries of the Third World and Oceania allocated the majority of the 16 berths at the Los Angeles Games.

Under updated regulations, our part-time pros are now entitled to play Olympic soccer, as the New Zealanders are already doing.

Victorian best players, top scorers

Victorian awards voting:

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35 R. Pocock WESTERN SUBURBS, 25 J. Vizzini BROADMEADOWS, 23 W. Wilkinson BELL PARK, 23 D. Ward MELBOURNE, 22 M. Kuppini RICHMOND, 21 G. Waters WERRIBEE, 20 G. House KNOX CITY, 19 M. Micevski ALTONA GATE, 19 E. Lesbirel KNOX CITY, 18 T. Teer DONCASTER ROVERS.

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24 J. Wylie RINGWOOD UNITED, 23 D. Nelson NTH DANDENONG, 23 N. Batnicov ST ALBANS, 22 J. Mills RINGWOOD UNITED, 20 B. Gelevski KEILOR, 20 A. McMillan NTH DANDENONG, 19 C. Gerick ADEER, 19 R. Nelson NTH DANDENONG, 17 I. Ferrell PRESTON, 17 D. Hoyland SPRINGVALE CITY.

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METROPOLITAN TOP GOALSCORERS FOR 1983

DIVISION TWO Billy Vojtek, St Albans, 14 Goals.
DIVISION THREE Pashalis Tzintzis, South Oakleigh, 20 Goals.
DIVISION FOUR Martin Moore, Karingal, 13 Goals.

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TEMPO DI COPPE E DI PIANI PER IL FUTURO



with ROCKY DI ZIO

E così la Juventus non ce l'ha fatta a vincere un trofeo quest'anno dopo aver perso l'ultimo duello con il Green Gully domenica scorsa nella semifinale della State League Cup.

La partita è stata molto bilanciata e dai valori espressi in campo la vittoria avrebbe potuto arridere all'una o all'altra squadra senza risultare in una ingiustizia.

Purtroppo la fortuna non ha aiutato i bianconeri in campo: fuori campo, i recenti infortuni a Cullen e a Zini (che è stato utilizzato verso la fine solo quando le cose si erano messe male) e la mancanza di tenuta di gioco ottimale di Incantalupo che rientrava dopo due settimane di sosta hanno influito sul rendimento della Juventus negando quella superiorità che ancora le riconosciamo su tutte le altre squadre della lega statale purché in formazione ideale e con tutti i giocatori in forma.

Peccato, perché squadra, tifosi e comitato quest'anno

avrebbero meritato un motivo tangibile di celebrare la miglior stagione degli ultimi cinque di celebrare la miglior stagione degli ultimi cinque anni a dir poco. Nelle prossime edizioni cercheremo di analizzare i motivi di mancata affermazione, non tanto per ricriminare ma piuttosto con uno sguardo al futuro.

NUOVO PRESIDENTE ALLA JUVE?

Sugli altri fronti della attività del club possiamo anticipare che l'assemblea annuale dei soci avrà luogo verso la metà di novembre (la data definitiva è ancora da decidere) e che in tale occasione, pur non essendoci una vera e propria elezione del comitato (poiché

il comitato presente è stato eletto per tre anni l'anno scorso) vi saranno dei cambiamenti dirigenziali.

L'anno scorso, quando in seguito alla mancata ricandidatura di Santamaria, si era reso necessario trovare un nuovo presidente, i tre "papabili" erano Sam Manenti, Vince Verduci e Tony Schiavello; al contrario delle solite battaglie per il massimo potere, i tre dirigenti rifiutarono tutti a favore degli altri due candidati e alla fine Manenti accettò non potendo negare che essendo stato vicepresidente l'anno precedente aveva il maggior "dovere" di ricoprire la carica poiché gli altri due erano alla loro prima esperienza in comitato, anche se come principio non rinunciavano all'idea di essere presidente un giorno. Fu così che fra i tre si raggiunse un accordo "amichevole" secondo il quale ognuno di loro si sarebbe "sacrificato" per un anno ed avrebbe ricevuto il massimo appoggio dagli altri due. Che Sam Manenti, durante il

suo anno di presidenza, abbia ricevuto la massima collaborazione da Verduci e Schiavello è innegabile. Sembra perciò che alla prossima assemblea generale Sam Manenti lascerà la carica di presidente a favore di uno dei due attuali vicepresidenti. L'operazione si ripeterebbe quindi l'anno successivo a favore dell'ultimo dei tre "papabili".

Questo sistema, molto insolito, ha dei meriti e delle possibilità immense perché mantiene l'assoluta continuità amministrativa dividendo, allo stesso tempo, gli onori e gli oneri della massima carica evitando anche tutti i pericoli di una presidenza troppo lunga della stessa persona. Nel passato un ex presidente era anche un "ex membro del comitato", solitamente lasciato in disparte o addirittura messo in posizione di crearsi dei risentimenti verso i suoi successori. La sua esperienza andava persa, il suo contributo era nullo e, a volte, il cattivo sangue con i nuovi dirigenti lo metteva addirittura in rotta di collisione con il club.

Con questo "nuovo sistema" venuto a crearsi per combinazione, il presidente di quest'anno non subirà alcuna perdita di faccia passando dalla prima posizione alla seconda e, inoltre, delle difficoltà e dei problemi della carica, si farà in quattro per aiutare il suo successore dal quale aveva ricevuto il massimo sostegno durante l'anno precedente.

Onestamente pensiamo che miglior sistema non possa esistere ed anzi quasi quasi consiglieremmo ai dirigenti della Juventus di "brevettare" questa invenzione. Naturalmente però bisogna tener presente che questo sistema è stato possibile e funzionerà idealmente solo perché il club è stato fortunato di avere allo stesso tempo tre persone capaci di ricoprire la massima carica e modesti abbastanza da evitare lotte per accaparrarsela: alla fin dei conti però Menenti, Verduci e Schiavello non si erano trovati in comitato per caso e lo stesso lavoro preparativo di una lista di candidati potrà sempre essere ripetuto all'infinito.

LA "COPPA MIRABELLA" SI GIOCHERÀ IN TASMANIA

L'ormai tradizionale "Coppa Mirabella" che onora il nome di uno dei grandi ex presidenti del club e del più acceso e continuo tifoso della Juventus, quest'anno è diventata una competizione interstatale.

Fino ad ora la "Coppa Mirabella" era stata messa in palio nel torneo di fine stagione che si gioca fra squadre U/18 ogni anno in concomitanza con la Coppa Italia giovanile a Summer Park: quest'anno invece andrà alla vincitrice della partita fra le riserve della Juventus di Melbourne e quelle della Juventus di Hobart. Il termine "riserve" non è esattamente corretto, perché in effetti le due squadre che competeranno per l'ambito trofeo saranno formate da giovani giocatori, alcuni dei quali sono già i capisaldi delle rispettive prime squadre. Nel caso della Juventus di Melbourne, per esempio, la formazione verso la fine di Novembre includerà i giovani fuoriclasse Incantalupo e Zini. Oltre alla partita per la "Coppa Mirabella" in prima edizione interstatale, i giovani juventini di Melbourne avranno l'opportunità di passare tre giorni di vacanza ad Hobart, ospiti della consorella bianconera di

quella città. E giacché c'è questo inizio, perché non continuare con la "Coppa Mirabella" interstatale ed allargare la partecipazione a tutte le Juventus d'Australia. Ne uscirebbe una magnifica competizione che rafforzerebbe in vincoli fra le "vecchie signore" del calcio australiano che con il loro nome condividono immense tradizioni ed uno spirito impareggiabile al mondo.

Ma la competizione degli U/18 sarà ugualmente giocata quest'anno, e potenziata, con lo sponsorship della "Prima Office Furniture" dell'attuale vicepresidente Tony Schiavello.

LA LEZIONE DI HELLAS E HEIDELBERG

All'inizio della stagione di lega nazionale due delle squadre che apparivano candidate alle poltrone d'onore erano il South Melbourne Hellas e l'Heidelberg; a metà stagione le due squadre che avevano più deluso erano appunto queste due, specialmente la prima.

Poi arrivò il sensazionale licenziamento dell'allenatore Rasic dell'Hellas e l'avvento di McKendry alla direzione tecnica della squadra. Da allora l'Hellas ha fatto registrare dieci vittorie, due pareggi e due sconfitte. Dopo aver navigato nelle acque limacciose di fondo, classifica e sconfitte, ora si trova oggi ad un punto della capolistina ed appare la più seria candidata al titolo finale... ma purtroppo un punto potrebbe essere troppo da recuperare in sole tre partite che rimangono in questo campionato.

All'Heidelberg stessa storia, anche se molto più breve: cinque settimane fa la squadra che non riusciva a vincere nemmeno con l'ultima in classifica fu tolta all'allenatore Morton ed affidata a Tansey, da allora ha colto due pareggi e tre vittorie. L'ultima contro la capolistina di gran parte del campionato, Preston.

Questo potrebbe significare che licenziare gli allenatori è la formula più sicura per il successo. Niente affatto. Significa che certi allenatori di rango, come Rasic e Morton per esempio, diventano inutili se non hanno la massima collaborazione dei giocatori. I loro successori McKendry e Tansey non sono né migliori né dei maghi, ma sono semplicemente riusciti ad ottenere il massimo rendimento da due ottime rose di giocatori. E' vero che in alcune squadre esistono delle cricche di giocatori, ma è anche vero che alcuni allenatori credono di essere dei "generalissimi" che trattano i giocatori come soldati votati al dovere a tutti i costi. Tutte le relazioni umane sono basate sul rispetto reciproco ed il rispetto bisogna guadagnarselo invece di pretendendolo in virtù di una carica.

Alcuni allenatori credono troppo in se stessi al punto da diventare dei dittatori, degli dei che i giocatori dovrebbero semplicemente adorare! Questa gente dovrebbe capire che il mondo è cambiato e continuare a cambiare ad una velocità incredibile che l'unica autorità riconosciuta oggi è quella che deriva dal rispetto! E di allenatori, e dirigenti, che appartengono a questa generazione dalla mente oppressa ce ne sono ancora molti in giro.

A tutti loro diamo un consiglio: se la squadra perde, se i

giocatori mancano agli allenamenti, se il loro rendimento in campo si limita al minimo indispensabile e se il "cuore" sembra mancare, guardino a se stessi ed al trattamento che riservano ai giocatori (o ai membri del comitato in caso di dirigenti) prima puntare il dito accusatore sui vari "fanulloni", "incapaci", "traditori".

PROSSIMI IMPEGNI E "ITALIANE"

La Juventus domenica prossima concluderà la sua stagione ufficiale con la formalità della partita per il terzo posto nella State League Cup, contro il Croydon.

Quindi, agli inizi di novembre partirà per una vacanza a Bali dove prenderà parte alla Garuda Cup. I tifosi che vorranno seguire la squadra del cuore in questa magnifica escursione in uno dei posti più incantevoli del mondo possono farlo per la modica cifra di circa \$800 (per due settimane, viaggio incluso) telefonando al Sunshine Travel Service (telefono 312 471, chiedere di Josie o di Joe Caruso).

Fawknor e Morwell hanno ancora l'appuntamento della Dockerty Cup che li attende fra due settimane. I ragazzi di Cirikovic dovranno vedersela con il Box Hill ed hanno perciò discrete possibilità di passare il turno, mentre i "Falcons" si troveranno di fronte il Croatia, che si è mantenuto all'apice della forma giocando nella State League Cup, e non possono perciò avere grandi ambizioni di successo.

COPPA ITALIA

Con l'eliminazione di Regent, McLeod Utd, Inter City e Eagles, i gironi per la Coppa Italia sono stati così: final-

izzati: A) Thomastown, Trestina, Nunawading, Batmanc, B) Bulleen, Ascot S. Marco, E. Carlton, Werribee; C) E. Brunswick, Westall, Vermont, Carrum; D) Fawknor, Juventus, Geelong United, Dallas City.

La competizione avrà luogo, come abbiamo già scritto, sul campo del Fawknor e tutto dovrebbe andarci liscio anche se la Juventus sembra fare le bizze per la scelta del campo e per il sistema di fornire i gironi che l'ha tolta da testa di serie e, per di più, l'ha messa nel girone del Fawknor. Anche la Juventus deve stare ai regolamenti approvati, a torto o a ragione, dalla maggioranza.

Però la "maggioranza" farebbe bene a ricordare che, per l'interesse della competizione, il fatto che Fawknor e Juventus dovranno eliminare l'un'altra nel primo turno non torna certo a vantaggio di nessuno!

LA JUVENTUS INVADIE FAWKNOR

Piano però, non cominciamo a scavare le trincee. Si tratta di una invasione pacifica, anzi amichevole e per di più la Juventus in parola è quella di Adelaide.

Sabato mattina una comitiva di 20 juventini di Adelaide, fra giocatori dei vivai e genitori, arriveranno a Fawknor per una serie di partite il giorno dopo, domenica 9 ottobre.

La giornata si concluderà con una grande cena danzante nei locali del club in Jukes Road. Indubbiamente un grande avvenimento organizzativo e sportivo di cui bisogna lodare i dirigenti dei due club italiani.

Pity poor Willie

If it hadn't been for Phil O'Connor and Roy Cotton, who have scored 20 goals between them, Wollongong probably wouldn't have won any games at all this year.

It's certainly been a hard season for the club, and it's little wonder that coach Willie Wallace has announced he will quit after the last game.

Coincidentally, West Adelaide Hellas coach Alan Vest also has quit after encountering a lot of difficulties.

Wollongong suffered heavily from the loss of Peter Tredinnick and Arno Bertogno to APIA. You can't expect to throw in ordinary players as replacements for two stars of such stature.

Nevertheless, Wollongong is finishing the season on a high note, and I sincerely hope that the club will be in the new-look NSL next year.

It's sad the way things have gone this season.

In 1982 everything was sweet and now, all of a sudden, everyone seems to be broke.

Wigan to fold?

Another club in dire straits is Wigan Athletic who recently appointed director Bobby Charlton as caretaker manager. Wigan who have only been in the Football League for five years, have heavy debts, are losing \$4000 a week and a meeting of the creditors and shareholders is fixed for May 17 with the object of putting the club into liquidation.

Cross to Whitecaps

Two weeks after they sold keeper Joe Corrigan to Seattle for an undisclosed fee Manchester City have got another \$170,000 for striker David Cross from Vancouver Whitecaps. Cross was formerly with West Ham.

The transfer market in Spain is the quietest for years. Only one top transfer has so far taken place — the signing of Anderlecht star Lozano by Real Madrid.

Jimmy Greaves, one of the greatest goalscorers in top-class soccer, has joined the "Daily Mirror." Greaves, who conquered an alcohol problem a few years ago, played in 515 First Division matches, scoring 357 goals. He scored 44 goals in 57 matches for England.

Watford released 6'4" striker Ross Jenkins after over 10 years service and he is now in Hong Kong soccer. Elton John's team has paid Cambridge United \$200,000 for their top scorer, Scotsman George Reilly, who dwarfs Jenkins by one inch.

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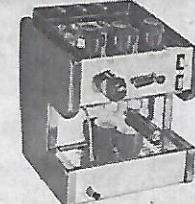
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JUGOSLOVENSKA SCENA

Mozda je izraz satirovacki, ali najbolje ilustruje stanje na vrhu tabele Nacionalne lige, gde je do nedavno carovala Makedonija. Danas na to mesto prava prava klubova: tri iz Novog Jugoistočnog Vela dva iz Melburna. Najveće iznenađenje je prodor South Melbourne Helasa, koji je do polovine sezona, tavorio u donjem delu tabele, a onda se naglo vinuo u vrh tabele. Osim trenera nista drugo nije promenjeno u Helasu, sto znaci da se nista neobiceo dogodilo sa igricama. Da li spontano ili intenzivno, ali oni su imali jedan odos prema Rasticu a drugi prema novom treneru. Jasno je da su igrici igrali lose da bi prinudili upravu da smeni trenera. To se dogodilo u zagrebckom Dinamu i mnogim klubovima sirom zemljinoj sara, a nedavno je moglo da se dogodi i u JUSTU. Nasuprot drugim klubovima, uprava JUSTa, a posebno predsednik Zika Karic, stala je na stranu trenera, sto je dovelo do masovne smene igrica. I krenulo je na bolje. Kroz sličnu krizu proasao je i Heidelberg Alexander, koji se rapidno oporavi la, sto je na svojoj kozi osetila Makedonija.

Makedonija nije imala probleme na relaciji igrici, trener i uprava, ali je ipak doživela krizu u majnozgodnije vreme. Povrede i klesice izbacile su iz stroja ključne igrice, dok su se ostali umorili i izgubili motivaciju pre vremena. Medjutim, nije sve izgubljeno. Svih pet kandidata za prvo mesto nisu ubedljivi noviti, tako da ce pitanje prvaka Nacionalne lige biti otvoreno do zadnjeg kola, koje se igra u nedelju 23. oktobra.

Sledeca nedelja bice najtesa. St. George/Dubapest i Makedonija. Arakovi puleni igraju u Newcastleu, gde je tesko dobiti utakmicu, pogotovo sto je i domacin kandidat za prvaka. Makedonija docekuje preporodjenog JUSTa u Prestonu. Ova utakmica znaci mnogo za Makedoniju, jer je to poslednja sansa da ostane u trci za naslov prvaka, dok je za "plave" u pitanju Makedonija.

JUST je proleće nedelje odrazio nogometnu lekciju gostima iz Adelaide, sto su prvi put pobedili u Footscrayu. Navala je ponovo bila neefikasna, tako da je pobeda dosla u pitanje, iako je JUST imao 10 zrelih

sansi i izveo 12 kornera, dok su gosti pogodili preku i stativu, iako nisu imali ni jednu pravu sansu. Najnesretniji, ali i najnespretniji bio je Vlatko Belic, koji je imao tri stopostotne sansa, pa se ipak nije upisao u strelice. Pored Vlatka Belica, koji je odusevno svojim slalomima (ali razocarao promasajima), sveta tacka abio je opet Sulejman Curovic, iako je cesto preterao u driblinzima. Najbolji igrici ove utakmice Gary McDowell nese igrati protiv Makedonije zbog jezika. Posto ga je protivnik bez potrebe failirao (a igra sa sest kopci od proleće nedelje) verovatno je uzvratilo posvokom. FIFA je pocetkom ove godine uputila raspis da se svaka psovka kazni zutim kartonom. Pred vaznu utakmicu sa Makedoni jom Gary McDowell je morao da stavi flaster na usta, jer vec ima 11 kaznenih poena tako da ga ni cudno ne moze spasiti od kazne. Jedan problem vise za trenera Bobby McLachlana, jer je McDowell vazan faktor u preporodu JUSTa. Njegovo odsustvo bice dobitak za Makedoniju.

SANSA ZA CROATIJU

U finalu kupa ceterkove u Melburnu plasirali su se Green Gully Ajax i Croatia poeste neubedljivoj pobedi nad Juventusom i Croydon. "Vecito" druga Croatia ima idealnu sansu da bude prva pred oporast sa Drzavnom ligom. U svakom slucaju finalna utakmica izmedju dva l juta rivala bice vatrena i uzbudljiva, a igra se na Olympic Parku u nedelju 8. oktobra. U predgiri se sastaju Juventus i Croydon City za bronzanu medalju.

VREME NAGRADA

Zavrsetak prvenstva Metropolitan i Provizionalnih divizija bio je uzbudljiv, ali i neizvestan zbog reorganizacije takmicenja, koji je prouzrokovao prosirenje Nacionalne lige. Umesto da se pridrzava rang liste i tabela savez je "raspisao" konkurs za popunjavanje i vec je dobio desetak molbi od klubova, koji pokusavaju da neuspese na zelenom polju u nadoknade vestom igrom iza kulisa.

O tome ce se raspravljati na godisnjim skupstinama, gde ce odlucivati glasačka masina, ali ce biti i lepih momenata kada se budu deljivali trofeji najboljim igricama i najuspesnijim strelcima. Iako su Draganu Vasicu otpisani tri gola ipak je sa 13 golova najbolji strelac prve divizije, a veteran Billy Vojtek sa 14 na celu je druge divizije. Od nasih igrica najbolji je Dragan Janic u trecem provizionaloj diviziji, ali da je bilo pravde tu pocast zaslužio su Tom Karic i Slobodan Stojcević u drugoj diviziji. Na zalost ova dva igrica nisu mogli da odigraju sve utakmice u ovoj sezoni zbog brokirske propisa. Kroz mesec dana novinari ce izabrati najbolje

igrici Nacionalne lige. Za igrici do 21. godine favorit je Sulejman Curovic, ali nije daleko ni Vlatko Belic.

FESTIVAL VETERANA

Prosie nedelje na JUSTovom igralistu u predgiri su se sastali "plavi" veterani i kombinovani sastav Springvale Uniteda. Mnogo mlađi, momci iz Springvale iznenadili su starce sa dva brza gola na pocetku igre, a onda je doslo do izrazajia iskustvo i majstorstvo nekadasnjih asova. Dok su veterani bukvalno "stajali" lopta je vezla po polju na najlepše sare, dok je protivnik trekao kao bez glave. Mlađi su napustili igraliste umorni i znovaji, a veterani se nisu ni uprljali iako su pobedili sa 6:2 (2:2). Najstariji igrici i kapiten veterana Steve Zakomarok Rok kretao se gracizno i mocno koa pre 30 godina na Melbourne Cricket Groundu protiv engleske reprezentacije, iako danas ima preko 60 godina. Tomislav Stankovic sa svojih 50 godina siao je ubojite volje kao "kacusa" granate za vreme rata. Cak se i Billy Rice stvorio od nekuda, svez i oran kao pre 20 godina, a Frank Micic je delo lopte kao Nobelove nagrade, tako dragocene i precizne. Rasmus nam je pokazao kako se lakom igra bolje nego nogama. Adamovic je sa Rujevicem i Vellkovicem pripremao sah mat pozici je bolje nego Korncoj i Karpor. Marko Fode se dosadjivao na голу, dok su sudija Mircea i Mladen Mutic bili odlicna zamena starijim kolegama, kada im je ponestalo daha i volje za ticanjem. Stelica Pervaz je javno protestovao sto se dozvolilo Marjanu Lopaticu da igra, kada se sam prekomandovao u najtesu kategoriju pilivana i kafanskih stratega. A Jova Milinov, koga je lopta mogla proci ali igrici nikako, izjavio je: "Najveci promasaj ove utakmice je sto Stelica Pervaz nije igrao". Najstariji igrici Springvale Uniteda bivsi golman JUSTa Sveta Radovanov "Dunav" znao je sta ga cek, ali nije mogao da dokaze ostalim igricama da mladost bez znanja i truda ne vredi ni "po lule duvana". Strelci: Milos Adamovic 3, Milorad Velickovic 2 i Frank Micic za veterane, Sime Stanimirov i Zarko Rukavina za Springvale United.

"Plavi" veterani igraju jos jednu predgiru u nedelju 23. oktobra, kada se igra poslednje kolo Nacionalne lige J.U.S.T. v. A.P.I.A. Protivnici "plavih" veterana bice "ostatak sveta" (kombinovani sastav veterana Juventusa, Polonije, George Crossa, Helasa itd).

BOSNA KONACNO AMATERSKI PRVAK

FK Bosna United prakticno je jos pretpostele nedelje osvojila naslov amaterskog prvaka Melburna, ali teorijski bio je potreban jos jedan bod u zaostaloj

utakmici sa Lalorom. Za svaki slucaj Bosna je prole nedelje visoko porazila Lalor sa 5:2 (3:0), tako da je i zvanicno dobila titulu samplona, sto je posle utakmice proslav i jeno sa bogatom zakuskom i kapljicom. Strelci za Bosnu: Dragan Meljanac 3, Bruno Aleksić i Milorad Velickovic po jedan. Trener i igrici Bosne Milorad Velickovic dosao je sav zadahan sa JUSTovog igralista, gde je u prvom poluvremenu postigao dva gola za "plave" veterane a onda dotrcao u Richmond, zamenio plavi dres sa zelenim i postigao jos jedan gol za Bosnu. U prvom poluvremenu Bosna se igrala sa protivnikom kao macka sa masevima, ali posle odmora gosti su postigli dva brza gola, pa je jedno vreme bilo guslo i opasno. Medjutim, u završnici igrici Bosne su dokazali dnu dzabe postali samploni Melburna Sastav: Milivoje Roganovic, Igor Mukavec, Mirko Roganovic, Zeljko Mikulic, Ljubomir Brajic, Rakan Gavran, Frank Erdedi, Zoran Djukic, Bruno Aleksić, Milorad Velickovic, Dragan Meljanac. Rezerva je izgubila sa 0:3.

KUPOVI I TURNIRI

Posto opravdana zalba Alton/Vojvodine nije usvojena, "crveno-beli" momci ispalili su iz Provizionalnog kupa, ci je se polufinalu igraju u subotu 8. oktobra, ali igraliste jos nije objavljeno. U polufinalu Springvale United (Bratstvo/Jedinstvo) igra protiv Cheltenhama i ima velike izgleda da osvoji Provizionalni kup.

U subotu i nedelju 8/9 oktobra na igralistu JUSTa odrzava se juniorski turnir "Europa Butcher Cup" za decake od 10 do 13 godina zakljucno.

Ispod 10 godina takmicu se sledeci timovi: JUST, Northern United i Springvale United.

Ispod 11 godina: JUST, Altona Gate/Vardar i Northern United.

Ispod 12 godina: JUST, Altona Gate i Springvale United.

Ispod 13 godina: JUST, Altona Gate i Northern United.

U subotu 8. oktobra prva utakmica pocinje u 9 pre podne, a zadnja u 4, 20 po podne.

Finalne utakmice igraju se u nedelju pre podne. Pobednici ispod 10, 11, 12 i 13 godina dobijaju pehare od mesarnice "Europa" iz Newporta, ciji su vlasnici Ana i Kornel Kampean.

U subotu i nedelju 15/16 oktobra odrzava se veliki turnir amaterskog kluba Crvena zvezda, opet na igralistu JUSTa, na kome ce uestevovati pored domacina, jugoslovenski klub west Wodonga, drugi tim JUSTa i novi amaterski prvak Melburna FK Bosna United.

U toku su pripreme za Jugo turnir u Geelongu, koji ce se odrzati 5 i 6. novembra.

Victorian under 14s win title

Victoria's Under 14 team returned victorious on Sunday from the championships held in Brisbane. The championships were played on a round-robin format, and the Vics record was: played 7, won 6, draw 1 lost 0. They scored 19 goals, with Brighton's Paul Trimbold top-scoring the whole championship with 11.

Results:
Victoria 2, South Australia 0, Victoria 2, West Australia 0, Victoria 4, Northern Territory 0, Victoria 2, Northern NSW 0, Victoria 2, NSW 2, Victoria 3, Queensland 2, Victoria 4, ACT 0.

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ΣΕ ΑΠΟΕΛΛΗΝ ΑΝΑΙΩΣΕ Η ΕΛΛΑΣ

Τώρα που η 'Ελλάς Μελοβούρης που έφτασε μέλις ένα βαθύ κίωσ από την βουδαπέστη και την Χαλκή.

Τώρα που η ομάδα του Μακέντρου περσί από νίκη ο νικη.

Τώρα είναι σίγουρο ότι θα φανερωθούν σέν τα αλληγμένα οί τπόοί έκεινο στο έδαφον την αλληγνί του Ρέσις με τόν Μακέντρου σάν... προέσβα από τόν πρόεδρο Λεανίβια 'Ανεζάκη και όχι μόνο θα γράφουν πώς ή αλληγνί... πέτυχε αλλά θα έχουν και το θρά σοσ να πάνε σέν τάλοσ και να ορίζοντ το χέρι του.

Βαλτό ήταν τότε όλοι οι "καλοθελητές" που θα είχαν βάλει με τόν πρόεδρο αλλά τε λικά έσπασαν τα ρούτρα τους.

Η χόδση μιάς έφημερίδας δέν γίνεται με άεστη γραφομήσες. Πάντως είναι γεγονός πώς τώρα που η ομάδα του Μακέντρου κερδίζει, άρμετοι είναι αυτοί από τόν άνθρόπων μέλλουσ το τήνου οί όποιοί στεναχωριόυνται. Κρίμα σ'άδήςεια.

ΜΑ ΓΙΑΤΙ ΤΟΙΣ ΧΩΛΗ;

Η στήλη κυτάζει με ένημερώσει με λίγα λόγια τούς έλληνες άναγνώστες το SOCCER ACTION για τά νέα τών ομάων μας, όσες φυσικά τηλεφώνουν έγκαιρα, χωρίς να έχει άπο κλέισει κάμια ή να μην έχει πρόβσει να γράψει.

Τό άναφερέται πάντα ή άδρα Γιάραβιλ ή ή 'Ενωση Ποντίων ή και ο πρόεδρος της 'Ελλάς Λεανίβιας 'Ανεζάκης δέν νομίζουμε ότι σέ τελική άνάλυση άπαγορεύεται.

Άλλωστε ό όποιον δέν τού άρέσει να δια βάζει για έπιτυχιές ΓΙΑΤΙ τόσο ή ΔΟΛΑ, όσο και ή 'Ενωση Ποντίων και ο 'Ανεζάκης ση μέανών έπιτυχιές, δέν τίς διαβάζει.

Αν λέγαμε όμως ότι αυτό δείχνει καθαρά με κερία άνθρώπων έγκασιών που κόντουν και στεναχωριόυνται, όταν βλέπουν έπιτυχιές άτόμων ή συλλόγων τούς όποιους οί ίδιοί δέν συμπαθούν.

Δικαιώμα τούς λοιπόν να άντιπαθούν και να συμπαθούν αλλά μέχρις ενός όρίου γιατί τό να μη παραβέχονται με έπιτυχία και παράλληλα να προσπαθούν να ρίχνουν την γολή τους δέν κάνουν τίποτε άλλο παρά να ζευτίζονται.

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Η 'Ενωση Ποντίων έκανε έτος τό ντάπλι. Με τό τό πρωτέλλημα που κέρδισε άήτητη στήν Β' τού 'Ιντεστριάλ Αήγκ, την περασμένη Κυριακή μέσα στέ Μίντλ Πάρκ νίκησε στέν τελικό και την 'Αλτόνα Νόρθ Ι-Ο κερδίζοντας έτσι το Ντάπλινγκ Κάπ τού 'Ιντεστριάλ Αήγκ.

Η έλληνική ομάδα κατά διασχηματα ήταν άνω τερη και περισσότερο στέ Α' μέρος όπου μετά από δύο καλές έκκαιριές που έχασε, κατόρθωσε στέ 29' με τόν Στέφ Κουρουνκλή να πετύχει τό χρυσό γκολ που ήταν και τό μοναδικό της συνάντησης.

Στέ Β' ήμιχροίο ή 'Ενωση Ποντίων με λίγη προσοχή τόν κυνηγη της θα μπορούσε να ελχε πετύχει δύο άκόμη τέματα.

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Αν όποι με έλες ο πρώην παίκτης της ΒΑ ΛΑΛ Μελοβούρης έκεινε 'Εκπονητήμνος άπό τήν συνεργασία του με τούς άνθρώπους της Ελαρίντας.

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Τό Σάββατο και στέ Χάλ τού άμπαρχέου τού Ρέτμουε ή 'Ενωση Ποντίων όνειν τέν έτήσιο χορό τις.

Κατά την διάρκεια της βραδιάς θα γίνει και ή άπονουή τών άναμνηστικόν έπίδλων στέος παίκτης της τακτικής και άναπληρωματικής ομάδας.

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Λίγο μετά την λήξη της συνάντησης της 'Ελλάς με τό 'Ολμπικ στέ Σόβεν, ο πρό



by Manos Milios

έβρος της Μελοβουρίτικης ομάδας κ.Λεανίβιας 'Ανεζάκης έβλασε: "Τό είδατε και με νοι σας ή 'Ελλάς Μελοβούρης είναι ή καλύτερη ομάδα στέ ή στιγμή στέ 'Εβνικό πρω τέλλημα".

Ο ΔΗΜΑΡΧΟΣ ΤΟΥ ΣΟΥΤΕΡΠΑΙΛ ΣΥΓΧΑΙΡΕΙ ΤΗΝ ΠΡΟΤΑΓΗΤΡΙΑ ΚΑΙ ΑΝΤΙΤΗΝ ΔΟΛΑ ΓΙΑΡΑΒΙΑ

Τήν περασμένη Πέμπτη ο δήμαρχος τού Σουτ-σπαίλ κ. ΤΕΔ ΛΟΓΑΝ σέ είδική δελτίωση που διοργάνωσε για τούς παίκτες και τούς παρά γοντες της πρωτέλλητριας και άήτητης άδρας Γιάραβιλ προσέφερε άναμνηστική πλακέτα στέν σόλλογο έκ μέρους τού άμπαρχέου και γραβάτες με τό έμλημα τού άμπαρχέου τού Σουτσπαίλ στέν πρόεδρο, στέν γραμματέα και στέν προπονητή έκ έκτίσης και στέος δύο κάπταιν Τζέλιου άμπαρχέου και Ντέην 'Α-ποστολίδη.

Μεταξύ άλλων ο δήμαρχος τόνισε ότι θα προ σπαθήσει στήν νέα σαιζόν να βοηθήσει άκόμη πύδ θετικά την ομάδα τού Γιάραβιλ.

Ο ΠΡΑΚΑΝΔ ΕΚΑΝΕ ΑΥΤΗΘΗ

Ο 'Ηρακλής έστειλε αίτηση και ζητάει να παίζει στήν 'Εβνική κατηγορία.

Μαζί με τήν αίτηση ή ομάδα τών κυανολέ-ων άπέστειλε και δία τά δικαιολογητικά καθότι και τό στέχίο με τίς έγκαταστάσεις τού γηπέδου.

Όπως και είπε κορυφαίος παργών τού συλλόγου ή ομάδα θα έόρθεει τά ίδια λεπτά άν δά μέλεις στέ Στέπ Αήγκ, όδότε κα-λότερα θα είναι να άγωνιστεί στήν 'Εβνική κατηγορία.

ΤΟ WEINSTEIN MEDAL ΕΤΩΝ ΚΟΛΤΑ ΚΙΑΚΟ

Ο νεαρός μέσος τού 'Ονλά Κόστας Κιάκας κέρδισε τό WEINSTEIN MEDAL και άναδείχθη κε ο καλύτερος παίκτης τζούβιορ της χρονιάς.

Η στήλη συγχαίρει και τόν ίδιο και την ομάδα τού.



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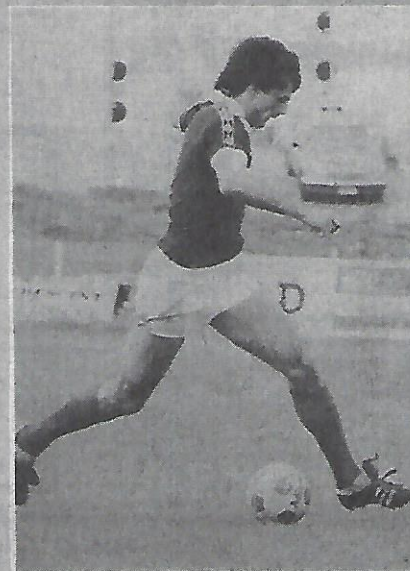
CON OPASINIS
(Preston)

PRESTON V FOOTSCRAY

CONNOR RESERVE
K.O 3pm

Previous results

'77.....	
'78.....	
'79.....	
'80.....	
'81.....	3-0
'82.....	3-0



VLATKO BELIC
(Footscray)



ALAN DAVIDSON
(South Melbourne)

SOUTH MELBOURNE V MARCONI

MIDDLE PARK
K.O. 3 pm

Previous results

'77.....	1-2
'78.....	0-3
'79.....	1-2
'80.....	3-1
'81.....	1-0
'82.....	3-1



TOMMY McCULLOCH
(Marconi)